



Adele Pullarp – Barrister

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PROFILE:

Adele joined Chambers as a Tenant in October 2020 following the successful completion of her pupillage. She welcomes instructions in Crime, Family, Personal Injury, and general Civil.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

CRIME

Adele regularly prosecutes and defends in the Crown, Magistrates' and Youth Courts and has acted in cases involving violence, drug offences, theft, sexual offences, and offences under the Dangerous Dogs Act 1991. She is a CPS Grade 2 prosecutor, and also welcomes instructions in private prosecutions.

Adele has extensive experience of defending road traffic matters, in particular advancing statutory defences, Special Reasons and Exceptional Hardship arguments.

Adele has experience of acting for clients who are vulnerable due to a number of factors including age, addiction, and mental health issues.

Adele has also appeared in the Summary Appeal Court and accepts instructions in Court Martial work on both a private and legal aid basis.

Notable cases

- R v A – Successfully advanced self-defence on behalf of a 14-year-old client charged with Assaulting an Emergency Worker
- SPA v A – Successful appeal in the Summary Appeal Court of an Army Medic charged with breaching standing orders by travelling abroad to see her gravely ill father without prior authority.
- R v S – Secured the acquittal of an A&E doctor charged with failing to provide a breath specimen successfully running a defence of reasonable excuse arising from a complex medical condition of which live expert evidence was required.
- R v P – Represented a 20-year-old client who had pleaded guilty to offences of possession with intent to supply Class A drugs and possession of a taser committed whilst he was still a youth. Despite the Sentencing Guidelines giving a starting point well above 2 years' custody, Adele successfully mitigated, and the defendant received a suspended sentence.



FAMILY

Adele regularly acts in matrimonial finance proceedings, including applications pursuant to TOLATA 1996. Adele has experience of successfully representing clients at all stages, including against litigants-in-person.

Adele accepts instructions in private Children Act proceedings, as well as applications for non-molestation orders, prohibited steps orders and enforcement proceedings. She has experience of multi-day fact finding hearings arising out of allegations of serious domestic violence and is able to apply her experience of criminal law in such cases.

PERSONAL INJURY

Adele represents and advises both Claimants and Defendants in all areas of personal injury work. She acts both in Small Claims and Fast Track trials, applications, and disposal hearings. She has experience dealing with cases involving credit hire.

Adele has experience of drafting advice on quantum in infant settlement proceedings and welcomes instructions in this area.

CIVIL

Civil liberties and human rights

Adele has experience in drafting advice and pleadings in relation to claims for discrimination and unlawful detention and welcomes instructions as she continues to build her practice in this area.

Property

Adele appears in property disputes in the County Court. She has experience in cases involving rent arrears, possession, forfeiture and order for sale applications. Adele welcomes instructions to draft advice on this area of the law as she continues to build her practice.

BACKGROUND

Prior to commencing her legal studies, Adele studied Classics and worked for 3 years at an auction house specialising in Roman and Ancient Greek coinage.

Prior to commencing pupillage, Adele worked as a Litigation Caseworker at the Home Office where she reviewed challenges to immigration decisions and whether they should be defended or reconsidered. Prior to this, she worked as a Paralegal at the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) reviewing material and applying redactions in line with the Inquiry's Protocol and managing material through the disclosure process. Before IICSA, Adele worked at the Independent Police Complaints Commission (now IOPC), where she provided support to one of the commissioners, which included research and preparing briefings, as well as co-ordinating work between investigators and the press and legal teams. From these roles she has experience of dealing with members of the public, legal representatives and the Police, often in relation to difficult and sensitive matters.



Outside of work Adele is a keen (but mediocre) runner and cyclist and enjoys keeping fit and balancing this out with a glass of wine or two. She also continues to support Arsenal, against her better judgment.

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