

# Josh Stamp-Simon – Pupil Barrister

Called 2018

Josh joined Chambers as a pupil in October 2022. He welcomes instructions in all of Chambers' main areas of practice, including civil, crime, family, immigration and public law.

Before pupillage, Josh worked as a solicitor's agent in the County Court and as a paralegal at another mixed practice barristers' chambers.

#### **AREAS OF PRACTICE**

#### **Civil and Commercial**

Josh is regularly instructed to conduct small claims trials in the County Court. He is experienced in conducting Stage 3 hearings, infant approval hearings, applications for summary judgment, applications to set aside default judgment, and applications for costs, as well as applications arising from consumer credit agreements, charging orders, third party debt orders, and bankruptcy petitions.

Josh has provided pro-bono advice and representation with the Free Representation Unit (FRU) in a claim against an employer for unfair and wrongful dismissal.

As a paralegal, Josh provided regulatory support to the chambers where he worked, particularly in relation to GDPR and data protection.

## **Property, Housing and Estates**

Josh is experienced in providing representation in possession claims brought by both landlords and mortgage lenders. He continues to welcome instructions in this area, and in claims for disrepair.

During his first six, Josh observed many hearings and mediations arising from trusts, property and inheritance disputes.

Prior to pupillage, Josh provided pro bono housing advice with the BPP Legal Advice Clinic.

## **Crime**

Josh is frequently instructed to attend pre-trial hearings and sentencings in the Crown Court. He recently succeeded in avoiding the activation of his client's nine-month suspended sentence, despite his client having pleaded guilty to the possession of a large quantity of drugs and his client's suspended sentence having been imposed for possession of that same drug with intent to supply. As a first six pupil, Josh observed Crown Court hearings in relation to allegations of serious violent and sexual offences, as well as allegations of burglary and fraud.

Josh is regularly instructed in the Magistrates' Court in respect of both driving offences and general crime. He has helped multiple drivers avoid lengthy totting bans through the advancement of exceptional hardship and special reasons arguments.



Josh has assisted members of Chambers by conducting research into sentencing, procedure, and uncommon criminal offences such as unlawfully preventing the burial of a body and the unlawful procurement of a miscarriage.

## **Family**

Josh welcomes instructions in disputes relating to both children and financial remedies.

As a first six pupil, Josh experienced a range of private family work, including financial dispute resolution hearings and final hearings, which often involved a mixture of family and chancery law.

Josh has also experienced public family law through having observed an application on behalf of the police to access court papers in care proceedings.

#### **Public and Immigration**

Josh welcomes instructions in immigration and public law disputes.

Josh has volunteered with the Camden Community Law Centre, working directly with clients who faced grave danger due to their political affiliations or sexuality should they be deported.

As a volunteer with the School Exclusion Project, Josh succeeded in overturning a school's decision to permanently exclude his client's child.

Josh has also shadowed a member of Chambers at an immigration appeal in the First-Tier Tribunal.

## **EDUCATION**

Bar Professional Training Course (BPP University, 2018)
Graduate Diploma in Law (City Law School, 2017)
MPhil, Psychology and Religion (University of Cambridge)
BA (Hons), Theology and Religious Studies (University of Cambridge)

## **SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS**

Advocacy Award (BPP University, 2017)
BPTC Exhibition Award (Inner Temple, 2017)
Maitland Advocacy Prize, Runner Up (City Law School, 2016)
GDL Exhibition Award (Inner Temple, 2016)

## **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

Inner Temple
Criminal Bar Association
Family Law Bar Association
Personal Injuries Bar Association



# **OTHER INTERESTS**

Josh was a theatre director before becoming a barrister, and remains passionate about plays, musicals and the arts. He is also an avid gamer with a particular fondness for chess, poker, and early 2000s PC games.

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