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"Peter's insight and instincts are superb, and he is extremely 'user friendly'." The Legal 500 2023

"He's absolutely outstanding, very intelligent and knows the field backwards." Chambers and Partners 2022

Peter Mant specialises in administrative law, mental capacity, and regulatory law. He is ranked as a leading junior in The Legal 500 and Chambers and Partners where he is described an "excellent advocate", "calm in the eye of the storm" and "great on his feet".

His broad practice spans most areas governed by public law, regulation and human rights. He is a strong advocate, who appears regularly in the High Court, Court of Protection and other tribunals. Clients include individual claimants and non-governmental organisations (NGOs), central and local government departments, and national regulators.

Areas of expertise

Administrative and Public

Regulatory and Disciplinary

Court of Protection and Medical Treatment

Inquiries and Investigations

Costs and Litigation Funding

Court of Protection and Medical Treatment

Peter acts and advises in some of the most challenging Court of Protection cases.

Matters in which he has been instructed in recent years include end of life cases, serious medical treatment involving a range of invasive procedures, capacity to enter into sexual relations, and use of the High Court's inherent jurisdiction.

Peter is particularly expert in matters concerning deprivation of liberty and the overlap between the Mental Health Act 1983 (MHA) and the Mental Capacity Act 2005.

Cases of note:

- **Cumbria, Northumberland Tyne & Wear NHS Foundation Trust & Another v EG [2021] EWHC 2990 (Fam)** - Community deprivation of liberty of restricted patients under MHA.
- **A Local Authority v DY [2021] EWCOP 28** - Capacity to decide to engage in sexual relations.
- **London Borough of Tower Hamlets v PB [2020] EWCOP 34** - Capacity and alcohol dependence.
- **A Clinical Commissioning Group v AF [2020] EWCOP 16** - First-ever remote Court of Protection trial in case concerning withdrawal of clinically-assisted nutrition and hydration (CANH).
- **London Borough of Croydon v KR & Anor [2019] EWHC 2498 (Fam)** - Limits of the inherent jurisdiction to protect vulnerable adults.
- **A Clinical Commissioning Group v P (Withdrawal of CANH) [2019] EWCOP 18** - Withdrawal of life sustaining treatment.
- **MASM v MMAM [2015] EWCOP 3** - Leading case on contempt in Court of Protection.

Recommendations

Peter is recommended as a leading junior in Administrative and Public Law, Court of Protection and Community Care, and Professional Disciplinary and Regulatory Law, in The Legal 500. He is ranked in Court of Protection: Health and Welfare, and Professional Discipline, in Chambers and Partners.

"Peter is an excellent advocate, has exceptional judgement and presents complex matters in an accessible manner." – Chambers and Partners 2023

"Peter is great on his feet. He is clear, concise and puts points across really well." – Chambers and Partners

"An excellent advocate. He is calm [and] super bright." Chambers and Partners 2022

"He's absolutely outstanding, very intelligent and knows the field backwards." Chambers and Partners 2022

"He is exceedingly bright and has a very calm, unflappable manner. Clients love his understanding of their needs and priorities." Chambers and Partners 2020

"He has an encyclopaedic knowledge of professional disciplinary case law." The Legal 500 2020

"Extremely knowledgeable and pragmatic. He has a very calm and approachable manner." Chambers and Partners 2019

"Outstanding technically and very persuasive in court." Chambers and Partners 2018

"Highly intelligent and delightful to deal with." Chambers and Partners 2018

"A go-to junior, he has excellent judgement and is a pleasure to work with." Chambers and Partners 2017

"He is incredibly intelligent, yet very practical." Chambers and Partners 2016

"Technically excellent, he has a persuasive manner in court, and is calm and quietly confident." Chambers and Partners 2015

Memberships

- Administrative Law Bar Association (ALBA)
- Association of Regulatory and Disciplinary Layers (ARDL)
- Court of Protection Bar Association (CPBA)
- Human Rights Lawyers Association (HRLA)
- Justice

Qualifications

Education

- College of Law, Bar Vocational Course, 2005-2006
- City University, CPE, 2004-2005
- Churchill College, Cambridge, BA History, 2000-2003
- Scholarships and prizes
- Pegasus Scholarship for work at ECtHR 2009
- Inner Temple Prize for outstanding BVC result 2006
- Inner Temple Major Scholarship for BVC 2005
- Inner Temple Major Scholarship for CPE 2004

Additional information

Publications

- The Regulation of Healthcare Professionals: *Law Principles and Process*, 2nd Ed, Sweet & Maxwell 2019
- *Disciplinary and Regulatory Proceedings*, 10th Ed, Lexis Nexis 2019
- *Current Law Statutes: Annotations to the Health Act 2009*, Sweet & Maxwell 2010
- *The Law of Human Rights*, 2nd Ed, Oxford University Press 2009

Other Positions

- Islington Law Centre Management Committee: 2011-2019
- Lawyer to the Registry of the European Court of Human Rights: 2009-2010
- Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees: 2004
- Long-suffering supporter of Oxford United F.C.

Pro Bono

Peter is very happy to accept pro bono instruction where appropriate. In the past, he has worked with legal charities and non-governmental organisations including Liberty, Islington Law Centre and the Anti-Trafficking and Labour Exploitation Unit (ATLEU). He acted in one of ATLEU's first cases on behalf of a migrant domestic worker, securing an award of over £80,000 for a woman who had been abused, discriminated against and forced to work unpaid for several years.

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