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“Utterly, utterly brilliant...” Chambers and Partners 2021

A highly experienced and versatile advocate, Lisa has a broad public law practice, with a particular focus on human rights, asylum, immigration and nationality, and cases involving national security issues. She represents clients before a wide range of courts and tribunals, including the Supreme Court and the European Court of Human Rights, as well as specialist tribunals such as the Investigatory Powers Tribunal and Special Immigration Appeals Commission. Prior to taking silk, Lisa was on the Attorney-General’s A Panel of counsel and she continues to provide advice and representation to a range of Government Departments and agencies as well as local authorities and other public bodies. Her private client work ranges from the provision of strategic support to corporations in negotiating business immigration issues to advising and representing families and individuals in judicial review and appeal proceedings. She is ranked as a leading silk in each of her specialist practice areas by both The Legal 500 and Chambers, whose immigration section names her as a “Star Individual”. Lisa was a member of the Independent Human Rights Act Review panel and regularly lectures and contributes to publications in her areas of expertise.

Areas of expertise

Administrative and Public

Immigration and Business Immigration

Civil Liberties and Human Rights

Administrative and Public

"A very strong barrister who gets points across effectively – Judges love her..." Chambers and Partners 2022

Lisa has extensive experience of administrative and public law, providing advice and representation across a range of areas.

Cases of note:

- *Coughlan v Minister for the Cabinet Office* [2022] 1 WLR 2389 - Supreme Court considers judicial review challenge to electoral pilot schemes for voter identification
[Judgment](#)
- *R (MG) v Secretary of State for the Home Department* [2022] WLR(D) 322 - Judicial Review concerning investigation into outbreak of violence in hotel accommodation for asylum seekers
[Judgment](#)
- *R (ota Terra Services) v National Crime Agency* [2020] 1 WLR 1149 - Divisional Court considers applicability of closed material procedure in judicial review challenge to search and seizure warrant
[Judgment](#)

Education

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- LLB (Hons) 1989

Additional Information

Languages

- Conversational Italian and French

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