



Ella Grodzinski

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Ella joined 39 Essex Chambers as a tenant in September 2023, after successful completion of her pupillage. She accepts instructions across all areas of Chambers' expertise, with a focus on public law, planning and environmental law. She has completed secondments at both the Financial Ombudsman Service and the Office for Students.

Prior to coming to the bar, Ella obtained an LLM in International Law from University College London (with distinction in all modules). She also volunteered with the Free Representation Unit and as a youth camp councillor.

Areas of expertise

Environment and Planning
Administrative and Public
Construction
Commercial
Civil Liability

Construction

During pupillage, Ella worked on a range of construction matters, including:

- Advising on the application of the recent Building Safety Act 2022 and the Fire Safety Order 2003 in relation to corporate liability for remedial works
- Advising on responsibility and liability for building design and construction defects
- Assisting in preparation and giving advice on a claim for breaches of landlords' duties, in contract and under the Landlord and Tenant Act 1985
- Advising ownership disputes and contractual relationships in relation to joint-venture housing construction

Memberships

- Administrative Law Bar Association (ALBA)
- Planning and Environmental Bar Association (PEBA)
- Liberty

Qualifications

Education

- 2021-2022: Bar Training Course, Inns of Court College of Advocacy – Merit
- 2020-21: LLM in International Law, UCL – Distinction (in every module)
- 2019-2020: GDL, City University – Distinction (in every module)
- 2015-2018: BA Human Sciences, University of Oxford – Academic scholarship; First Class; top dissertation in year.
- 2018-19: Post-Graduate Fellowship at the Hadar Institute, New York
- 2007-2014: North London Collegiate School

Scholarships and Prizes

- Best Oral Advocate, Athens Regional round, European Law Students Association Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition (2022)
- 7 KBW Prize for Contract Law (2020)
- Inner Temple Exhibition Award (2019); covering both the GDL and BTC
- Wilma Crowther Prize, University of Oxford; Top undergraduate dissertation in year in Human Sciences (2018)
- Academic Scholarship, Mansfield College, University of Oxford (2016-2018)

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