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Hannah has a domestic and international practice specialising in commercial, company and insolvency, civil fraud, construction and international arbitration.

Hannah is frequently led in substantial disputes and has appeared led in the Supreme Court (*Pakistan International Airline Corporation v Times Travel (UK) Ltd* [2021] UKSC 40) and the Privy Council (*Chandler v The State No 2 (Trinidad and Tobago)* [2022] UKPC 19). Hannah regularly appears in the High Court both led (*Mercy Global Consult Ltd (In Liquidation) v Adegbuyi-Jackson* [2023] EWHC 3203 (Ch)) and as sole counsel (*Re E-Tel (UK) Ltd* [2023] EWHC 1214 (Ch)) in the Chancery Division, Commercial Court and the Technology and Construction Court (TCC).

Hannah also acts as both junior and sole counsel in international arbitrations and domestic adjudications. Hannah has experience and accepts instructions in respect of urgent applications for freezing and other injunctive relief.

A substantial proportion of Hannah's practice also has an international element, particularly in the field of international arbitration, where she has acted in arbitrations under a wide variety of international arbitration rules including International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), Abu Dhabi Commercial Conciliation and Arbitration (ADCACC) and UNICITRAL. As well as acting as counsel, Hannah has experience in, and undertakes instructions as, tribunal secretary.

Prior to coming to the Bar, Hannah obtained a first-class law degree, followed by a distinction in her Master of Laws in Comparative and International Dispute Resolution, at Queen Mary, University of London, where she specialised in international commercial and construction arbitration.

Areas of expertise

Commercial

Company and Insolvency

Construction

International Arbitration

Public and Constitutional

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Hannah has gained experience in a wide range of public and constitutional law matters, both in domestic and commonwealth contexts. Hannah has appeared led in the Privy Council and provided assistance in the

Cases of note:

- ***Chandler v The State No 2 (Trinidad and Tobago) [2022] UKPC 19***: Instructed by, and successfully acted for, the respondent, the State of Trinidad and Tobago, before a panel of nine justices. This case concerned whether the mandatory death penalty for murder in Trinidad and Tobago, pursuant to section 4 of the Offences Against the Person Act 1925, was unconstitutional. Led by Howard Stevens KC and Tom Poole KC.
[Judgment](#)
[Westlaw](#)
- ***Maharaj and others v The State (Trinidad and Tobago) [2021] UKPC 27***: Instructed by, and successfully acted for, the respondent, the State of Trinidad and Tobago. This case clarifies the test of credibility in deciding on the admissibility of fresh evidence, in particular recantation evidence, in criminal law. Led by Tom Poole KC.
[Judgment](#)
[Westlaw](#)
- ***James Spencer & Ors v (1) The Attorney General of Antigua and Barbuda (2) The Antigua Port Authority [2021]***: Assisted on a judicial review and constitutional law case in the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court concerning the legality of a long-term concession contract in respect of cruise facilities and services. Led by James Guthrie KC.

Memberships

- Commercial Bar Association (COMBAR)
- Female Fraud Forum (FFF)
- International Association of Young Lawyers (AIJA)
- Inter-Pacific Bar Association (IPBA)
- Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG)
- Young ICCA (International Council for Commercial Arbitration)

Qualifications

Education

- LLB, Queen Mary University of London (First Class)
- LLM in Comparative and International Dispute Resolution, Queen Mary University of London (Distinction)
- BPTC, BPP Law School (Outstanding)
- ADR-ODR International Accredited Civil-Commercial Mediator

Scholarships and prizes

- Shortlisted for Inner Temple's Pupil Advocacy Prize (2019)
- Inner Temple, BPTC Performance Prize (2018)
- Inner Temple, Major Exhibition Scholarship Award (2017)
- BPP Law School, Advocacy Scholarship (2017)
- BPP Law School, Excellence Scholarship (2017)
- Queen Mary University of London, Drapers' Company Prize for Academic Excellence (2015)

- Winner of the 'Best Student Pro Bono Activities' Award, LawCareers.Net Awards (2015)
- Quarter Finalist, D. M. Harish Memorial Government Law College Moot, India (2015)
- Winner of the George Hinde Moot (2014)
- Queen Mary University of London, Final Year School of Law Scholarship (2014)

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