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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

Regulatory and Disciplinary

Peter has appeared in numerous High Court appeals and judicial review claims for and against regulators. The regulators that he has acted for and/or advised in recent years include the General Medical Council (GMC), Professional Standards Authority (PSA), General Dental Council (GDC), Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS), Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA), Bar Standards Board (BSB) and Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). He also acts for regulated professionals, companies and trade unions.

He is a contributor to two of the leading textbooks on regulatory law: *Disciplinary and Regulatory Proceedings* (10th Ed) and *The Regulation of Healthcare Professionals* (2nd Ed).

Peter also advised the GMC on parts of its new consent guidance (published in November 2020).

Cases of note:

- Byrne v General Medical Council [2021] EWHC 2237 (Admin) Appeal against erasure by psychiatrist who engaged in sexual relationship with patient.
- Bux v General Medical Council [2021] EWHC 762 (Admin) Conflict of interests and medical report writing.
- Yusuff v General Medical Council [2018] EWHC 13 (Admin) Guidance case on continuing denials at fitness to practise review hearings.
- Professional Standards Authority v (1) NMC (2) Judge [2017] EWHC 817 (Admin) Regulator's appeal against decision not to strike off nurse who physically and emotionally abused vulnerable patient.
- Irvine v General Medical Council [2017] EWCA Civ 1296 and [2017] EWHC 2038 (Admin) Appeal against erasure for dishonesty in respect of indemnity cover.
- Shaw v GOsC [2015] EWHC 2721 (Admin) Leading case on the scope of "unacceptable professional conduct".
- Professional Standards Authority v (1) General Chiropractic Council (2) Briggs [2014] EWHC 2190 (Admin) Leading case on "under prosecution".

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
- 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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