



Zane Malik KC

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Zane Malik KC is authorised to sit as a Judge of the High Court. He is also a Recorder and sits as a Judge at the Crown Court. He is a Deputy Judge of the Upper Tribunal (IAC) and a Judge of the First Tier Tribunal (IAC).

He is a leading barrister specialising in public law and human rights, with an emphasis on immigration, asylum, nationality, EU and regulatory law.

Before taking silk, he spent 9 years on the Attorney General's Panel of Counsel to the Crown advising and representing the government along with his established private practice. He acts regularly at the highest levels, both for and against the government.

He has particular expertise in appellate work and Judicial Reviews. He appears regularly at the Upper Tribunal, the High Court, the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court. He has conducted over 250 substantive appeal hearings at Supreme Court and Court of Appeal level. The Upper Tribunal's judicial reporting committee (IAC) has reported over 75 of his cases to be cited as precedents in other cases. His reported cases at the High Court are over 80. He often leads other barristers and legal teams in complex cases before the higher courts.

He contributes regularly to legal journals and other practitioners' sources, and often speaks at legal conferences and professional development events.

Zane Malik KC Significant Cases

Areas of expertise

Administrative and Public

Immigration and Business Immigration

Civil Liberties and Human Rights

EU Law

Public International Law

Local Government
Education
Healthcare
Parole Board and Prisons
Equalities
Medical Treatment Cases
Information and Media
Regulatory and Disciplinary
Sport

Regulatory and Disciplinary

Zane regularly advises and represents individuals and institutions in regulatory and disciplinary proceedings.

His current practice includes cases involving the Solicitors Regulation Authority, the Legal Ombudsman, the Office of Immigration Services Commissioner, the Bar Standards Board, the General Medical Council and the Nursing and Midwifery Council. This includes representation at the hearings before disciplinary tribunals, associated Judicial Review challenges and appellate work. He has particular experience advising and representing solicitors in relation to “Hamid” jurisdiction of the High Court and the Upper Tribunal.

He also has significant experience of advising and representing educational institutions and domestic businesses in relation to the Sponsorship Licence scheme. This includes challenges to suspension and revocation of Sponsorship Licences and issues concerning compliance and sponsorship obligations.

Recommendations

- *“The go-to silk for complex matters, particularly cases involving allegations of deception.”* (Chambers and Partners).
- *“Admired as a barrister who enjoys bringing creative angles to immigration cases, and who has appeared in important cases before the Supreme Court. He has encyclopedic knowledge of immigration law.”* (Chambers and Partners)
- *“A prolific barrister who does a lot at a high level.”* (Chambers and Partners)
- *“He lives and breathes immigration law and picks his points carefully.”* (Chambers and Partners)
- *“He is an expert in immigration law and knows it like the back of his hand. Always able to make a not so good case into a good one.”* (The Legal 500)
- *“Zane is an outstanding barrister with a tremendously good reputation, who instils confidence in his solicitors. The strength that stands out is his encyclopedic knowledge of case law, which is not limited to immigration or public law”* (The Legal 500)
- *“He ... has a great legal mind in the field of immigration.”* (The Legal 500)
- *“Fine knowledge of immigration law; regardless of the issue, he always has a solution.”* (The Legal 500)

Appointments

- Authorisation to sit as a Judge of the High Court
- Recorder of the Crown Court

- Deputy Judge of the Upper Tribunal
- Judge of the First Tier Tribunal
- Queen's Counsel (now King's Counsel)
- Attorney General's Counsel to the Crown (Panel B)
- Attorney General's Counsel to the Crown (Panel C)

Qualifications

- LLM (International law and human rights)
- Postgraduate Diploma in Bar Vocational Studies
- LLB (Hons)

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