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Scarlett Milligan

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Scarlett Milligan is a sought-after junior barrister who is regularly praised for being skilled beyond her level of call, for her diligence and commitment to her cases, and for her "meticulous" approach to case preparation and analysis. She has a broad practice in public law, inquests and inquiries, and in civil claims for negligence, breaches of the Human Rights Act 1998, and other tortious wrongdoing.

She is recognised in the leading legal directories in the areas of administrative law and human rights, inquests and public inquiries, and personal injury.

In all areas of her practice she maintains a balance in acting for both claimants and defendants, with her clients encompassing individuals, organisations, government, and foreign states.

She is Junior Counsel to the Crown (Attorney General's B Panel, appointed September 2023 following three years as a C Panellist in 2020-2023).

Scarlett has experience of large-scale litigation, being led, and acting as sole counsel. Clients repeatedly laud her attention to detail and meticulousness, as a result of which she is often instructed as sole counsel in significant cases which are high profile, high value, and have complex legal and/or factual backdrops.

# Areas of expertise

Administrative and Public

Clinical Negligence and Personal Injury Civil Liberties and Human Rights Inquests and Inquiries Regulatory and Disciplinary Professional Negligence

# Regulatory and Disciplinary

Scarlett acts in an array of regulatory and proceedings (whether at the initial hearing or in subsequent challenges). Her broad practice means she is equally adept at witness handling, dealing with evidential intricacies and difficulties, and advancing or defending public law challenges to regulatory and disciplinary decision making. She is known for her ability to navigate the sensitive issues that arise in such proceedings without distracting from or diluting the strong legal arguments that claimants and defendants need to make.

Scarlett also has experience defending legal professionals against a variety of professional allegations, including claims of negligence and fraud. This had extended to advising and acting in/against vexatious claims and vexatious litigants (particularly when brought against legal professionals), proceedings for general civil restraint orders, and contempt of court proceedings.

# Recommendations

- "Scarlett is exceptionally bright. She has a meticulous approach to getting to the bottom of very complex issues, and provides advice that is both legally and commercially sound." The Legal 500 2024
- *"A confident, impressive and dedicated barrister who leaves no stone unturned."* The Legal 500 2024
- "She is excellent with clients and clearly really cares about her work. Someone that will definitely fight her corner a tenacious advocate" Chambers and Partners 2024
- *"Her knowledge and experience far exceeds her years. Scarlett is equal parts passionate and pragmatic and is the complete package."* Chambers and Partners 2024
- "Scarlett has excellent attention to detail, and she is able to assimilate quickly in complex situations."
  Chambers and Partners 2024
- "She is a confident advocate with an eye for detail"- Chambers and Partners 2024
- "Scarlett is a highly skilled advocate and she is compassionate with the families she represents"-Chambers and Partners 2024
- "Scarlett is a very intelligent and thorough barrister who possesses commercial awareness, which enables her to get deals done on favourable terms" Chambers and Partners 2024
- "She is very thorough and got to grips with complex points really quickly, providing clear and userfriendly advice" – Chambers and Partners 2024
- "Scarlett is fantastic with advocacy but also has an amazing manner with bereaved clients and guides them through the process with a sensitive touch." Chambers and Partners 2023
- "Highly analytical, thorough and she has excellent attention to detail. She has a superb ability to bring together a lot of complex information to form succinct arguments." The Legal 500, 2023
- "Scarlett is simply superb! Amazing advocate, great personality with clients and just an absolute pleasure to work with." The Legal 500 2023
- "...has a growing presence in the inquests and inquiries sphere, where she acts for a wide range of

clients. Among other prominent matters she is notable for having been instructed as counsel to the Grenfell Tower Inquiry." - Chambers and Partners 2022

 "Extremely conscientious, thorough, and always prepares meticulously. She provides unwavering support to the silks and senior juniors on the inquiry, and has a remarkable capacity to digest huge volumes of material very quickly, and always with a sharp analytical focus." - The Legal 500 2022

# Memberships

- Young Public Law Lawyers' Group (YPLG), Co-Chair Constitutional and Administrative Law Bar Association (ALBA)
- Constitutional and Administrative Law Bar Association (ALBA)
- Health and Safety Lawyers' Association (HSLA)
- Personal Injury Bar Association (PIBA)

# Qualifications

#### Education

- University College London: LLB
- BPP Law School, London: BPTC

#### Scholarships and Prizes

- Inner Temple Pegasus Scholar (2022)
- Inner Temple Princess Royal Scholar (2015-2016)
- UCL Flesch Bursary (2011-2014)
- UCL Santander Scholarship (2011)
- RGS Bursary (2009-2011)

### Additional Information

#### Appointments

- August 2023 to date: Junior Counsel to the Crown Attorney General's B Panel
- July 2023 to date: Co-Chair of Young Public Law Lawyers' Group
- August 2020 to August 2023: Junior Counsel to the Crown Attorney General's C Panel (Civil)
- March 2018 to date: Member of the Governing Board of the Royal Grammar School, Newcastle upon Tyne

#### Publications

 "A Practical Guide to the Law of Driverless Cars" – Glassbrook, Northey and Milligan, Law Brief Publishing, November 2019.

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