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Christopher accepts instructions across all Chambers' practice areas and undertakes the full range of work from advisory and pleadings to appearing in court. Christopher has appeared in the High Court (Administrative division); in the Court of Protection; and in a range of county court matters including personal injury, road traffic accidents, credit hire and housing disrepair.

Christopher has a particular interest in planning and environmental law having recently been led by Richard Wald KC, and Daniel Stedman Jones, in matters relating to asylum barges, environmental advertising and solar farms respectively. He is a headnoter for the Property, Planning and Compensation reports, a co-editor of Chambers' Planning, Environment and Property Newsletter and frequently produces case analysis on planning and environmental matters for LexisNexis.

Christopher has a growing practice in costs and litigation funding, having assisted Nicola Greaney KC acting for the Class Representative in *Alex Neill Class Representative Limited v Sony* [2023] CAT 73, the first decision to address the validity of a PCR's funding arrangements following the Supreme Court's judgment in *Paccar*.

Christopher is a contributing editor to the Banking and Bills of Exchange chapter of Atkin's Court Forms (Vol 6(2) 2023) and has assisted in editing chapters on local authority meetings, the structure of local government, and charities in Shackleton on the Law and Practice of Meetings (Sweet and Maxwell, 16th edition, 2023).

Christopher is a member of ALBA, PEBA, UKELA, PIBA and the SCL. He is willing to accept pro bono instructions in appropriate case.

Areas of expertise

Planning and Environment

Commercial, Construction and Property

Public Law

Civil Liability

Costs and Litigation Funding

Court of Protection

Planning and Environment

Christopher has a particular interest in planning and environmental work. His work in practice includes:

- Being led by Richard Wald KC to advise local authorities on their powers in relation to restricting advertising of 'high carbon' products;
- Being led by Richard Wald KC to advise a local authority in relation to proposals to dock an asylum barge in their area;
- A two day judicial review before Mr Justice Eyre, led by Daniel Stedman Jones, acting for the Claimant where the Defendant Local Authority's Environmental Impact Assessment was found to be unlawful on rationality grounds;
- Being led by Daniel Stedman Jones in a statutory review of a refusal by the Welsh Ministers to grant planning permission for a solar farm on best and most versatile agricultural land;
- Acting as sole counsel for a local authority defending a subsidence claim; and
- Regularly working with a local authority to advise on rights of way related issues.

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Qualifications

- 2021: LLM Legal Practice Bar, BPP – Distinction
- 2020: LLB University College London – First Class (Hons)

Scholarships and Prizes

- Lincoln's Inn Buchanan Prize
- BPP Law School – Excellence, Career Commitment and Advocacy Scholarships

January 2022, Christopher and co-pupil from 39 Essex Chambers won the Worshipful Company of Arbitrator's Mediation Competition 2022 and also received the Karl Davies Past Masters award for Most Creative Solution.

Previously, Christopher was a member of the team from University College London in the 2019-20 Oxford University Press Inns of Court College of Advocacy Mooting Competition, reaching the semi-finals before the competition was curtailed due to Covid-19. Christopher was also a member of the winning team in the 2019 University College London – Kings College London Varsity Moot and the 2018 University College London – Cambridge University Varsity Moot.

Additional Information

Christopher previously worked for the Legal Aid Practitioner's Group as an assistant to the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Legal Aid where he helped draft the 2021 Westminster Commission on Legal Aid's inquiry report on the *"Sustainability and Recovery of the Legal Aid Sector"*.

Christopher also worked as a research assistant to Professor Dame Hazel Genn and co-authored a chapter on Lady Hale's access to justice in, *"Justice for Everyone – the Jurisprudence and Legal Lives of Brenda Hale"*, Cambridge University Press, 2022.

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