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Emily practices in administrative and public law, regulation, inquiries and inquests, and commercial and construction.

An experienced public lawyer, she acts for claimants (individual and representative bodies), central and local government, regulators and other public bodies across all areas of public law. She regularly appears in a wide range of courts and tribunals, including the High Court and Special Immigration Appeals Commission (SIAC). She is a member of the Attorney General's B Panel, and was a member of the Equality and Human Rights Commission 'B' Panel. She represents the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities in the Grenfell Tower Inquiry, and the Home Office in the Brook House Inquiry. She advises and represents a range of interested parties at inquests, including Article 2 inquests with a jury.

She is recognised by the Legal 500 in the areas of administrative law and human rights, inquests and inquiries, and immigration (including business immigration).

Within commercial and construction disputes she has experience of arbitration, shipping disputes, construction adjudication and banking fraud. She has been admitted as a Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (MCIArb). She has been instructed as a member of the legal team from 39 Essex Chambers offering legal advice and support to the Foskett Panel.

Areas of expertise

Administrative and Public

- -- Civil Liberties and Human Rights
- -- Consultation
- -- Equalities
- -- Immigration and Business Immigration
- -- Public International Law

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Commercial

Construction

Inquiries

Inquests

Regulatory and Disciplinary

Construction

Emily has a detailed knowledge of building regulation and policy, the construction industry, building products and the testing regime as a result of her work on the Grenfell Tower Inquiry. She has experience of construction adjudication.

She is used to dealing with document heavy matters and disclosure platforms; advising on sensitive issues of disclosure and procedure; assisting witnesses from the highest level of seniority down with the drafting of witness statements; and drafting detailed submissions dealing with large amounts of evidence and both technical and sensitive topics, and engaging with large client teams in order to do so.

Cases of note

• *Grenfell Tower Inquiry* - Emily represents the Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (formerly MHCLG), led by Jason Beer QC.

Recommendations

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Memberships

Administrative Law Bar Association (ALBA)

- COMBAR
- International Chamber of Commerce, Young Arbitration & ADR Forum (ICC YAF)

Qualifications

Education

- 2010 2011, Kaplan Law School, Bar Professional Training Course
- 2009 2010, New York University School of Law, LLM
- 2006 2009, Downing College, Cambridge University, MA Law

Scholarships and Prizes

- Inner Temple Pegasus Scholarship (2015)
- Middle Temple Inn of Court Queen Mother Scholarship (2010)
- Pomona-Downing Scholarship (2005)

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