Aimee Fox



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Education

Aimee has a busy education law practice and regularly appears in the First-tier Tribunal. She acts for and advises all parties including, local authorities, schools, parents and young people. Aimee was recently invited to speak on education law at the National Conference of Chartered Paediatric Therapists.

Aimee has also been instructed on a number of judicial review matters. She was successful in defending a local authority in a claim for judicial review brought pursuant to section 19(1) Education Act 1996.

Other examples of matters Aimee has been involved with include:

- Discrimination claims
- Special educational needs
- Prosecutions for non-attendance at school (including in the Crown Court and High Court)
- Clerking Permanent Exclusion Review Panels
- Appeals concerning permanent exclusion
- School inspection
- Appeals against decisions of the First-Tier Tribunal
- Disputes concerning Local Offers
- Advice and representation in judicial review

Notable Cases

DH and GH v Staffordshire County Council [2018] UKUT 49 (AAC)
This case concerned an appeal from the First Tier Tribunal. The Appellants argued that the Tribunal had misdirected itself on the law in respect of issuing an Education, Health and Care Plan and the ability of a mainstream school to make relevant provision. This case involved issues which Aimee's opponent, David Wolfe QC, described to Upper Tribunal Judge Jacobs at the oral hearing as "complex and novel". For more information click here.

DS, R (on the application of) v Wolverhampton City Council [2017] EWHC 1660 (Admin)
Aimee Fox successfully represented the local authority against an allegation that there had been a failure by it to provide suitable education for DS in breach of its duty under section 19(1) of the Education Act 1996. DS had not returned to school after a contested incident during which he had returned home in a state of undress. Mr Justice Garnham went on to consider whether, if a breach had been found, the local authority's alternative provision would have been suitable. For more information click here, for the Bailii report click here and for the Local Government Lawyer article click here.

Articles

Family law and education law specialist Aimee Fox and Anthony Collins Solicitors' Kadie Bennett examine for the Education Law Monitor how parents can minimise the impact of separation on children with SEND.

View Article

Recommendations

Aimee Fox draws on expertise in both family and education law to advise in a range of financial remedy cases, including high-value matters and matters involving children such as relocation and domestic violence. She is highly praised for her detailed preparation and quality advocacy.

Strengths:
"Aimee is absolutely incredible. She is a real class act. She quickly grasps complicated issues and is a persuasive advocate."
"She is a hard negotiator and a charming advocate. Aimee is always an absolute pleasure to work with."
"Amy is an exceptional barrister. Clients really value her practical and level-headed advice. She is technically adept and really rolls her sleeves up to understand the client's needs and priorities."
Chambers UK 2025/Family/Matrimonial Finance/Midlands Bar
Chambers UK 2025/Family/Children/Midlands Bar

Strengths:
"She is approachable and client focussed."
"Aimee is always meticulously prepared and knows cases inside out. She is approachable and client-focused."
"She is robust in her advocacy, forensic in her preparation and empathetic with clients."
"Aimee applies a forensic approach to every case. She is a pleasure to work with and is compassionate towards her clients. She is a robust negotiator in court and a tough challenge for her opponents."
Chambers UK 2024/Family/Matrimonial Finance/Midlands Bar

"Aimee is a very safe pair of hands."
"Aimee is well prepared, client-focused, and fights hard for the client."
"Aimee is a fierce advocate with attention to detail and a dedication to her clients. She is a pleasure to work with."
Chambers UK 2023/Family/Matrimonial Finance/Midlands Bar

"Her preparation is fantastic. She takes time outside hearings to call and keep an eye on the case."
"Her cross-examination of professional witnesses is particularly impressive."
"She is great with the clients and gets to the bottom of what's important in the case very quickly."
Chambers UK 2022/Family/Matrimonial Finance/Midlands Bar

Aimee has a lovely, reassuring way with clients. Her ability to command the room's attention in court through her persuasive and engaging advocacy skills is second to none.`

Legal 500 2025/Education/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit - Tier 1

Aimee Fox is ranked in the Legal 500 2025 for Education/Leading Juniors/London Bar

`Aimee is a formidable opponent. She is sharp as a razor and calm under pressure. Aimee quickly gets to grips with complex issues and instinctively handles the most sensitive of situations. She is a pleasure to work with and skilled beyond her call.'

Aimee Fox is widely praised as a 'phenomenal advocate' with strong client care skills. Her expertise encompasses multi-jurisdictional relocation cases.

Legal 500 2025/Family: Children and Domestic Violence/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit

`Aimee is a formidable barrister. She is sharp as a razor and calm under pressure. Aimee quickly gets to grips with complex issues and instinctively handles the most sensitive of situations. She is also a persuasive advocate. Aimee is a pleasure to work

with and skilled beyond her call.'

Widely praised as a 'fantastic advocate' Aimee Fox is regularly instructed in financial remedy work involving varied asset portfolios valued in the millions and tens of millions.

Legal 500 2025/Divorce and Financial Remedy/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit - Ranked in Tier 1

'Fierce and robust advocate' Aimee Fox is another notable name for matrimonial finance work in chambers.
'Aimee is thorough and well-prepared. She is conscientious and has a very good eye for detail. She has a very good rapport with clients. She can identify relevant issues quickly and offer clear, realistic, and structured advice.'

Legal 500 2024/Divorce and Financial Remedy/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit

Aimee Fox is described as a 'thorough and well-prepared advocate who has an excellent manner with clients' and specialises in private law proceedings involving children in vulnerable circumstances or with special educational needs – the latter crossing over with her education law practice.

'Aimee is thorough, well-prepared and has an excellent manner with clients. She builds trust and confidence by understanding and appreciating clients' needs and concerns. She has excellent knowledge and understanding of each case.'

Legal 500 2024/Family: Children and Domestic Violence/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit

'Aimee's knowledge of the family court, that forum's understanding of special educational needs law, and the overlapping issues is second-to-none.'

Legal 500 2024/Education/Leading Juniors/London Bar

'Aimee has an excellent and empathetic manner, ensuring that her submissions hit home effectively. She can get to the heart of cases and focuses on the individuals rather than just the law.'

Legal 500 2024/Education/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit - Tier 1

'Aimee is a barrister who has excellent preparation and attention to detail and fights tirelessly for her clients. She is approachable and is responsive to instructions very promptly when required. She has an excellent rapport with clients and builds trust and confidence from the start of the case with all professionals in the case.'

Legal 500 2023/Divorce and Financial Remedy/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit

'Aimee is a tenacious advocate who will ensure that a client's case is put forward in a firm and well-structured manner. She is always impeccably prepared and will build a rapport with the client, demonstrating her knowledge whilst also being very personable.'

Legal 500 2023/Child Law (Public and Private)/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit

'Aimee is exceptionally knowledgeable and pays great attention to the details of her work.'

Legal 500 2023/Education/Leading Juniors/London Bar - Ranked Tier 1

Aimee Fox is ranked in the **Legal 500 2023**/Education/Leading Juniors/London Bar edition.

'Aimee has great empathy with clients, a tremendous advocate and has technical knowledge. That is an amazing combination to have as a barrister and as a result I frequently instruct her to represent my clients.'

Legal 500 2022/Divorce and Financial Remedy/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit

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Legal 500 2022/Child Law (Public and Private)/Leading Juniors/Midlands Circuit

''Aimee has a fantastic knowledge of the law and quickly builds up a good relationship with clients.''

Legal 500 2022/Education/Leading Juniors/London Bar

''Efficient, thorough, analytical and persuasive. Absorbs information quickly and clearly sets out the options and risks. Very good advocate in court and tribunals. Well-prepared and presents very well both in terms of oral advocacy and documents drafted. Able to deal with complex issues including judicial reviews.''

Legal 500 2021/Education/Leading Individual/London Bar

"Aimee Fox successfully defending Wolverhampton City Council in a judicial review matter against allegations that it failed in its duty under section 19(1) of the Education Act 1996, to provide education services to the claimant."

Legal 500 2021/Education/Leading Individual/London Bar

"3PB's Aimee Fox is a 'fountain of knowledge when it comes to special educational needs law', with a practice that covers advice to both schools and parents."

Legal 500 2021/Education/Leading Individual/Midlands

`Thorough in her preparation, clear and concise in her advice, and inspires confidence in clients.'

Legal 500 2021/Education/Leading Individual/Midlands

`An excellent advocate who is extremely capable in both financial remedy and private children proceedings.'

Legal 500 2021/Child law (public and private)/Leading Individual/Midlands
Legal 500 2021/Divorce and financial proceedings/Leading Individual/Midlands

`She is extremely approachable, thorough, pragmatic and realistic.'

Legal 500 2020/Education/Leading Individual

`Recommended for cases involving children with special educational needs.'

Legal 500 2020/Family Matrimonial/Leading Individual/Midlands

'Aimee's reputation goes before her, and I would have no hesitation recommending her and instructing her. We have had the pleasure of working together on some very complex cases, and Aimee's thorough preparation, calm and methodical approach and attention to detail are attributes of hers which shine. Excellent counsel. Love working with Aimee.'

Associate

'I have already had an email from the client saying how wonderful you were and would just like to thank you again'

Partner

'Aimee is thorough and determined'

Partner

'An excellent outcome! Our client said that you were fantastic at court and is happy with the outcome'

Associate Solicitor

'A brilliant outcome!'

Associate Solicitor

Academic qualifications

- College of Europe Bruges: LLM European Community Law
- Inns of Court School of Law: BVC, Very Competent
- Queen's University Belfast: LLB Law and French, 2:1
- Université Lyon III, Diplome d'Etudes Françaises

Scholarships

- Lincoln's Inn European Education Award
- Sunley Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn

Professional qualifications & appointments

- Qualified family finance arbitrator

Professional bodies

- Family Law Bar Association
- Association of Lawyers for Children
- Education Law Association
- Lincoln's Inn Denning Society