

Amanda Fernandez

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Overview

Amanda Fernandez is a barrister based in 3PB's London office. Amanda's practice primarily spans commercial, property, and housing litigation.

Amanda has experience representing clients in various stages of court proceedings, including applications, pre-trial/interlocutory hearings, and trials. Amanda also has experience in drafting written advices and pleadings in a range of commercial and property matters.

Prior to joining 3PB Barristers, Amanda worked as a County Court Advocate, where she represented clients in hearings in the County Courts in all manner of applications, consumer credit matters, charging orders and housing matters. She also worked as a banking and finance litigation paralegal in an international law firm, where she assisted in the drafting of legal letters and statements of case in claims of breach of contract and misrepresentation issued against a major international bank. In addition, she provided pro-bono non-contentious corporate legal advice to business start-ups on matters such as company structure, company registration and shareholdings.

Amanda has won numerous academic and advocacy scholarships, including an award for her cross-examination skills.

Outside work, Amanda enjoys reading, travelling, walking her dog and outdoor swimming (in all weather)! She is friendly and approachable and speaks fluent Spanish.

Academic qualifications

- Bar Professional Training Course - Very Competent - (BPP London)
- Graduate Diploma in Law - Commendation - (City University London)
- English Literature - First Class - (University of Sussex)

Scholarships

- Elfreda Edwards Scholar; Exhibitioner; Duke of Edinburgh Scholar (Inner Temple)
- Advocacy Scholar (BPP)
- Academic Scholar (City University)

Professional bodies

- Inner Temple
- London Bar Association

Expertise

Commercial

Amanda accepts instructions representing individuals and businesses in disputes on all contractual matters. Some of Amanda's advisory and drafting experience includes advising in matters arising out of:

- The Consumer Rights Act 2015;
- The Supply of Goods and Services Act 1982;
- Breaches of contract generally;
- Non-payment of professional fees;
- Debt claims;
- Interest as damages.

Amanda also has experience representing clients in various stages of court proceedings, including applications, interlocutory hearings and trials. Prior to joining 3pb, Amanda represented individual and commercial clients in a range of applications, including: applications for strike out, applications to set aside, applications for summary judgment, and applications to adduce further evidence. She also has experience in hearings for applications to enforce warrants, applications for the return of goods pursuant to the Consumer Credit Act 1974; and applications under the Charging Orders Act 1979.

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Property

Amanda accepts instructions advising individuals and businesses in disputes on a range of property and housing matters. Some of Amanda's advisory and drafting experience includes:

- Advising on liability for repairs arising out of express and implied covenants in commercial leases;
- Advising on and drafting/amending a defence in relation to allegations of trespass over private land and counterclaiming a declaration of a right of way;
- Advising on serving a notice to quit on the personal representatives of the estate of a deceased leaseholder and/or the Public Trustee, pursuant to the clauses of the lease, the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1994 and the Administration of Estates Act 1925;
- Drafting a defence and advising on settlement in social housing disrepair matter, arising out of the Housing Act 1985;
- Drafting a particulars of claim under Misrepresentation Act 1976 concerning an alleged misrepresentation in the sale of a residential property.

Prior to and since joining 3pb, Amanda has represented individual and commercial clients in a range of property matters,

including applications and pre-trial/procedural/interlocutory hearings. Some of Amanda's court experience includes:

- Applications for strike out, applications to set aside, applications for summary judgment;
- Injunctions for obtaining lawful access to residential property;
- Social residential tenancy repossession hearings for secure tenancies under the Housing Act 1985;
- Private residential tenancy repossession hearings under the Housing Act 1988;
- Cost and Case management hearings;
- Applications for charging orders over residential property pursuant to the Charging Orders Act 1979;
- Applications for the repossession of mortgaged residential property pursuant to the Administration of Justice Act 1970.