



Olivia McGonigle

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Public and Regulatory

Olivia McGonigle has already undertaken work in several areas including education, firearms regulation, health and safety and business rates cases. Olivia is keen to continue to develop her experience in these areas.

Olivia has advised in several Ofsted suspension appeal cases.

Recent cases include:

HSE v D (2023) – advising and representing the client in court – health and safety

LA v T (2022) – advising Council on Tobacco Regulations

Regulator v P (2022) – representations for a client to deal with allegations in writing rather than through interview

LA v M (2022) – junior counsel on EHCP judicial review case that settled

LA v C (2022) – business rates case, dropped when shown evidence

P v Police (2022) Crown Court – firearms appeal

Recommendations

Olivia has a “very appealing court room manner. She was prepared and really made a mark.” **Crown Court Judge**

“I have been impressed with the results Olivia has got on the couple of cases she has done for me and how quickly and how detailed her notes are of the hearing” **Instructing solicitor**

“I would have assumed, watching, that you had been doing the job a good couple of years” **Defence counsel**

“Olivia went above and beyond.” **Solicitor**

“I had the benefit of working with Olivia who I found to be extremely hard-working, diligent, pleasant and someone who was able to help us out at extremely short notice to prepare a very complicated witness statement in response to a fairly complicated judicial review matter. Olivia was able to get to grips with a very urgent court deadline and we were able to meet this deadline with her administrative and client care skills. She was able to take detailed instructions from the litigation friend and put this in a witness statement and not only that, was then able to put together a very detailed court bundle at very short notice.” **Gregg Burrough – Senior Education Solicitor – Coram Children’s Legal Centre**

“Your support gave me great relief. Thank you for fighting so hard.” **Lay client**

Academic qualifications

- Bar Training Course – Distinction (BPP London)
- Graduate Diploma in Law – Distinction (BPP London)
- BA Hons History and Political Science (University of Birmingham)

Scholarships

- Butterfield Scholar (Western Circuit)
- Ann Goddard Scholar (Gray's Inn)
- Wilfred Watson Scholar (Gray's Inn)
- Residential Scholar (Gray's Inn)
- Career Commitment Scholar (BPP)
- Excellence Scholar (BPP)
- BPP Advocacy Scholar (BPP)
- GDL Scholarship (Gray's Inn)

Professional qualifications & appointments

- Level 1 – CPS Advocate Panel – General Crime

Professional bodies

- Gray's Inn