

James Hume

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Overview

James Hume is a pupil barrister with a keen interest in a range of Chambers' areas of expertise. In particular, James is interested in commercial litigation and arbitration as well as property and construction law. He began his 12-month pupillage at 3PB's London office in October 2024, having previously worked as an Aviation officer in The Fleet Air Arm of the Royal Navy. Following the successful completion of his first six, James is now on his feet and available to take instructions in his own right, both to appear in court and on advisory matters.

As part of the Fleet Air Arm, James gained 5 years of front-line experience concisely conveying information to NATO command structures of varying language ability. Additionally, he has over a decade of experience in working in naval squadrons and ships, demonstrating advanced teamwork and interpersonal skills in pressured environments. As a Maritime Warfare Centre doctrine lead and subject matter expert, James was regularly required to communicate and advise Senior Officers on key deliverable commercial contracts.

James received a degree from the University of York in Physics with Astrophysics, after which he received a merit in a foundation degree in Military Aviation Studies studying base principles, aircraft technical components and their uses. James later attended The Open University, receiving a Second Class Honours in LLB (Hons), followed by earning a Merit from the National Paralegal College a level 7 Diploma in Paralegal Practice. James then attended the City Law School where he studied the bar course LLM, focusing on commercial law.

Throughout his pupillage, James has gained experience in complex commercial, property and construction cases involving:

- Interim injunctions
- Breach of contract claims
- Insolvency petitions
- Defective Premises Act work
- Possession Claims
- Easement disputes
- Adverse possession
- Adjudication enforcement

He is also a keen Triathlete and has previously competed in Ironman Triathlon distances. He also enjoys reading, board games and painting.

Academic qualifications

- BSc (Hons) Physics with Astrophysics, University of York
- Military Aviation Studies, Foundation Degree, The Open University
- LLB (Hons), Second Class Honours, The Open University
- Level 7 Diploma, Merit, Paralegal Practice, National Paralegal College
- The Bar Course LLM, City Law School

Professional qualifications & appointments

- CMI Level 5 Certificate in Management and leadership (CQF) from the Chartered Management Institute (2011).
- CMI Level 3 Diploma in First Line Management (CQF) from the Chartered Management Institute (2011) ;
- Divisional Officer Qualification (CMI Level 6 Equivalent) from the Royal Naval Leadership Academy (2015) ;
- Human Factors Facilitator & Instructor Qualification from the Military Aviation Authority (2015) ; Human Factors Supervisor Qualification from the Military Aviation Authority (2020).