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Jennifer Agyekum

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Education

Prior to coming to the Bar Jennifer was the sole In House Advocate at a specialist education law solicitors firm. Jennifer continues to provide legal advice and representation in the entire spectrum of education law. Areas of practice include:-

- Appeals to SEND tribunal
- Discrimination
- Claims in the FTT
- Admissions and exclusions from schools
- Independent Review Panels
- Clerking at Independent Review Panel hearings and governing Body meetings
- Claims against independent schools
- Claims of educational negligence
- Breach of contract and negligence
- Judicial review
- Student fitness to practise proceedings
- Plagiarism
- Termination of studies
- Issues with PhDs studies/ supervision
- Appeals to the Office of the Independent Adjudicator
- Disciplinary and grievance procedures

Jennifer has also run education law seminars/training days and given presentations to Central Law Training (the UK's leading provider of post qualification training and accreditation for professionals working in the legal sector), Education Law Association (ELAS), Independent Appeal Panels, barristers' chambers and a youth project run by the Supreme Court "Big Voice London".

Articles

Jennifer Agyekum provides a case summary and comment of a recent A2P1 case R (on the Application of SB and ZB) v London Borough of Croydon and NHS South West London ICB [2023] EWHC 489 (Admin). The claim was one of a number of proceedings attempting to secure adequate housing, education and social care provision brought by the Claimants.

R (L, M, P) v Devon County Council [2021] EWCA Civ

<u>Jennifer Agyekum</u> analyses *R (L, M, P) v Devon County Council [2021] EWCA Civ*, a case in which the Administrative Court is due to have the final word on the correct interpretation of the timescales for issuing a Final EHCP.

Recommendations

Jennifer Agyekum is noted for her SEN and discrimination expertise. She acts for individuals as well as schools, universities and local authorities in tribunal proceedings.
Strengths: "Jennifer is a rising star and a force to be reckoned with."

Chambers UK 2024/Education/London Bar

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'Jennifer is approachable and knowledgeable. Her calm demeanour puts clients at ease. She has strong advocacy skills.'

Legal 500 2024/Education/Leading Junior/London Bar

'Jennifer is knowledgeable, meticulous, and always fully prepared.'

Legal 500 2024/Professional disciplinary and regulatory law/Leading Junior/London Bar

'Jennifer will go above and beyond to achieve good outcomes. She cares about the work she undertakes and those she represents. Tactical and strategic in her approach.'

Legal 500 2023/Professional disciplinary and regulatory law/Leading Junior/London Bar

'Jennifer has a calm, thoughtful and thorough approach, which instills confidence in witnesses.'

Legal 500 2023/Education/Leading Junior/London Bar

'She has an incredible legal and tactical brain. A master of every detail in complex cases but also able to get straight to the heart of any matter.'

Legal 500 2022/Professional disciplinary and regulatory law/Leading Junior/London Bar

'Jennifer is hardworking, approachable and very clear in her presentation.'

Legal 500 2022/Education/Leading Junior/London Bar

'Conscientious and excellent at managing difficult clients. Jennifer prepares well and understands the sensitivities of the case. She engages well with the clients and is confident when dealing with her opponent in a constructive way.'

Legal 500 2021/Education/Leading Individual

'She is very knowledgeable and has a great understanding of regulatory process. You can tell she really cares about her clients.'

Legal 500 2021/Professional disciplinary and regulatory law/Leading Individual

'A fearless and highly intelligent advocate.'

Legal 500 2020/Education/Leading Individual

Professional bodies

- Association of Regulatory & Disciplinary Lawyers
- Bar Pro Bono Unit