

Education law team

2024 Chambers and Partners rankings

Team rankings

London: Ranked Band 3

Individual rankings

Barrister	Specialism	Bar	2024 ranking
John Friel	Education	London	Band 3
Lachlan Wilson	Education	London	Band 4
Charlotte Hadfield	Education	London	Band 2
Jennifer Agyekum	Education	London	Band 4
Emma Waldron	Education	London	Band 4
Alice de Coverley	Education	London	Band 3
Matthew Wyard	Education	London	Band 4

Alice De Coverley

“She is extremely well versed in the SEND Tribunal matters, and her expertise is clear in conference and when advising. Alice often goes above and beyond and has a very impressive approach when it comes to strategy, to ensure the best outcome for a client.”

“Alice has excellent legal knowledge on complex residential SEND appeal work and has also been very impressive in her advocacy and pleadings. She is my go-to barrister and is very skilled at working with vulnerable clients.”

“Alice is an excellent barrister who gets to the core of issues quickly and whose client care is phenomenal.”

Charlotte Hadfield

“Charlotte is extremely intelligent and strong at understanding the key issues and drafting on procedural issues.”

“Charlotte understands the requirements of the client and has been successful in strike-out applications.”

“There is very little Charlotte doesn't know and can't turn her mind to. She's excellent on details and makes sure that the tribunal can see a case holistically rather than just as a series of individual decisions.”

“She is a very calming influence for witnesses, incredibly knowledgeable about the process, the advice is comprehensive and pragmatic, and she always wants the best for clients.”

Emma Waldron

“She is a very caring barrister, very approachable and a formidable advocate - firm but fair.”

“Emma is the go-to counsel for my team. She provides practical advice, including reputational and commercial considerations.”

“Emma is thorough, careful and considerate. She is sensitive to clients, good to work with and responsive to questions.”

Jennifer Agyekum

is ranked by Chambers and Partners for Education in the London Bar.

John Friel

“John is an excellent barrister who gets to the core issues of a case quickly, and his client care is phenomenal.”

“John is a legend in SEND work.”

“John has an exceptional understanding of education law and understands the issues being faced by the client. He is a great source of reassurance.”

Lachlan Wilson

“He provides great advice to ensure the best outcome for a client.”

“He is very experienced and superb at putting clients and witnesses at ease with his personable nature, and he provides practical advice to achieve positive outcomes.”

Matthew Wyard

“He is very good and knowledgeable in the education law field.”

“Matthew is very good at reviewing papers and picking up information and facts very quickly, and he is always on top of things.”

Clerks quotes

Client service:

“You can rely on the 3PB clerks to provide a prompt response and help progress a matter forward and throughout the entire case. They are unsung heroes and deserve a lot of credit for the work they do.”

“The clerks are unparalleled in my experience. They are always quick to respond and happy to work with client expectations.”

“The clerks are always available and happy to assist.”