



Field Court Chambers

participated in
The Chambers Pro Bono Framework 2023

Chambers has:

- ✓ Helped the increasing number of people in desperate need of legal assistance who cannot afford to pay for it and cannot obtain legal aid.
- ✓ Supported our barristers to make use of the opportunities that pro bono work presents.

- 1 Appointed** a Pro Bono Champion
- 2 Actioned** pro bono work as a Chambers
- 3 Organised** a seminar on pro bono
- 4 Reported** on the pro bono completed

advocate



Our pro bono work with Advocate

Advocate estimates that:

8 members of Chambers took on pro bono work in 2023

15% of members took on pro bono work in 2023

12% of this work was completed through Advocate, the rest through other pro bono schemes

Names of members who have done pro bono work with Advocate in 2023:

Ryan Anderson

Our Pro Bono Champions are:

Lily Cooke and Mark Townsend

All Chambers in England & Wales

The data below gives an overview of all chambers pro bono work with Advocate in 2023. This does not consider the pro bono work done outside of Advocate. The table offers a comparison of where your Chambers work falls in relation to other sets of a similar size.

Size of Chambers	Chambers of this size with the highest percentage of members doing pro bono work.	The average percentage of members doing pro bono work, from a Chambers of this size
100 + members	23%	7%
50-100 members	27%	6%
Less than 50 members	24%	5%

Size of Chambers	Chambers of this size with the highest number of members doing pro bono work.	The average number of members doing pro bono work, from a Chambers of this size
100 + members	24	9
50-100 members	20	4
Less than 50 members	11	2

Example Case Studies

Eleanor Sibley acted pro bono for the AIRE Centre (Advice on Individual Rights in Europe) as the intervener in a successful appeal against the refusal of disability living allowance (care component) to a British girl whose father works in the EU - *Harrington v Secretary of State for Work and Pensions* [2023] EWCA Civ 433. This was one of the first and most high profile cases concerning the UK/EU Withdrawal Agreement's effect on EU nationals already in the UK pre-Brexit. Thomas de la Mare KC and Ravi Mehta of Blackstone Chambers led her in the case, and they were instructed by Herbert Smith Freehills.

Max Lansman acted pro bono for our Applicant, a former nanny to a TV producer and his wife, in her successful claim against them for wrongful dismissal and unlawful deductions of pay. The referral came through Pro Bono Connect. With a team from Stephenson Harwood LLP who volunteered through LawWorks, he helped her achieve an award of nearly £5000 from the employment tribunal. The Applicant's first language is not English and her financial position compared to that of her former employers was markedly weak. The Applicant's friend who supported her throughout the proceedings commented:

"We simply can't thank you enough - absolutely buzzing, and [the Applicant] is so so pleased. We appreciate all the hard work and the time that went into this. You're all simply amazing. Couldn't be happier with the result."



Thank you!

Our heartfelt thanks to the members and staff at Field Court Chambers for their continued support of Advocate and access to justice. We could not continue to operate without all you do.

**"...you give the less fortunate a voice in the world and in the legal system. You should all be proud in touching the lives of many when they need help. You help make our bit of the world a better place. You certainly have made our small bit of the world better by your involvement." -
Advocate Applicant**

