



Ruaraidh Fitzpatrick

Year of Call: 2017

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PRACTICE AREAS

Clinical Negligence | Discrimination & Equality | Employment | Human Rights | Personal Injury | Professional Discipline | Public & Administrative Law

OVERVIEW

Ruaraidh Fitzpatrick accepts instructions across all areas of chambers work, including commercial, employment, discrimination, public law and human rights, regulatory and professional discipline, sports law, personal injury and clinical negligence.

Ruaraidh has experience acting for both Claimants and Respondents in the Employment Tribunal, County Court, High Court and acting as junior counsel in the Court of Appeal. He has acted in complex and high value discrimination cases. Ruaraidh has recently been instructed in a worker status and state immunity matter, representing a claimant security guard against a London

based foreign embassy.

Ruaraidh also acts for claimants in personal injury and clinical negligence cases, including acting in fast track trials, assisting with catastrophic injury cases, and advising on merits and quantum.

Ruaraidh commenced pupillage in October 2017 and was offered tenancy in July 2018.

Prior to coming to the bar, Ruaraidh had a background in legal academics, tutoring in public and administrative law at the University of Glasgow and lecturing in employment, equalities, and human rights law at the University of Middlesex in Dubai. Ruaraidh previously worked as an intern at the Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law as a researcher on the centre's 'Constitutional Crossroads' paper and as a Campaign Fellow on the 2012 Obama presidential re-election campaign.

AWARDS

Queen Mother Scholarship, Middle Temple - BPTC

Award from the Royal Faculty of Procurators in Glasgow - CPE

APPOINTMENTS AND MEMBERSHIPS

Bar Human Rights Committee

Free Representation Unit

QUALIFICATIONS

LLB (Hons) (1st Class), the University of Glasgow

Diploma in Professional Legal Practice, the University of Glasgow

LLM (Distinction), the London School of Economics

CPE and BPTC, City Law School

HIGHLIGHT CASES

- *Anderson v Turning Point Eespro* [2019] EWCA Civ 815: Case on whether the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, as incorporated into EU law, and the common law require an Employment Tribunal to conduct a ground rules hearing when dealing with a vulnerable litigant in person. Led by John Horan.
- *B v F*: Represented the Claimant at a substantive preliminary hearing in an employment and state immunity matter following the decision of the Supreme Court in *Benkharbouche v Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs*. Raises issues of Articles 6 and 14 of the European Convention on Human Rights. Application accepted by the European Court of Human Rights.
- *K v JTI*: £15,000 costs attained on the basis that a claimant's late withdrawal of a claim amounted to unreasonable conduct.
- *J v LBX*: Successfully acted for the Claimant in a three-day reasonable adjustments claim.
- *H v TSC*: Successfully defended a four-day perceptive race discrimination claim.
- Instructed to represent a group of politicians in a legal action against the Metropolitan Police in regards to electoral offences committed during the June 2016 EU referendum. [See here.](#)