



Nancy Williams



Year of call: 2016

Areas of Practice

Family, Crime, Local Authorities & Public Law, Property, Landlord & Tenant, Personal Injury

Nancy joined Chambers in October 2019 after successful completion of pupillage.

PRACTICE PROFILE

Nancy accepts instructions across Chambers three main practice areas - civil litigation, crime and public and private family law proceedings.

Nancy practices in civil litigation providing advice and representation in landlord and tenant and personal injury. She is instructed to represent Claimants and Defendants at all stages of litigation from interlocutory applications, to trials, possession claims and injunction hearings.

Nancy appears in the Magistrates', Youth and Crown Courts and accepts instructions for the prosecution and defence.

Nancy also accepts instructions in public and private family law proceedings and has appeared at all stages of proceedings through to final hearings, including fact-finding hearings. She also has a developing matrimonial finance practice and has experience of the different types of hearings.

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Prior to joining the bar, Nancy worked at leading human rights law firm Leigh Day, KPMG France, the International Chamber of Commerce and the UNDP.

While at the International and Group department of Leigh Day, she was involved in a claim brought by Peruvian farmers against a UK company and its Peruvian subsidiary for injuries and fatalities inflicted by the police during protests at a copper mining facility in Peru. Nancy worked simultaneously in English and Spanish.

Nancy was a key member of the legal team behind the Pinnacle Metal on Metal group action. She was responsible for the histopathology aspect of the Claimants' generic case and worked closely with the expert and the counsel team in both the preparation for trial and throughout its duration. She was actively involved in lead case selection process for another group action claim.

Before Leigh Day, she was at KPMG France where she investigated compliance by a French bank with international and financial banking regulations. She intends to build on this experience at the bar

as part of her burgeoning criminal portfolio. Nancy was also a bilingual legal assistant at the International Court of Arbitration for the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris, assisting with the management of all aspects of arbitration proceedings. She developed a unique specialist knowledge in proceedings that took place in Commonwealth countries.

Nancy has worked for the United Nations Development Programme on its Access to Justice Programme in Sierra Leone. She collaborated closely with the Solicitor General, activists and local NGOs to develop strategies and programmes to address the problem of gender-based violence in the country and represented the organisation at conferences.

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES

Nancy provides robust and pragmatic advice that promotes her client's interests. She has been hailed by her judges, clients and opposing counsel as a tenacious advocate who meticulously prepares her cases. Nancy has extensive experience volunteering at legal advice clinics including a women's only advice centre. As a result, she has an empathetic and a reassuring manner which quickly puts clients at ease.

PRIZES AND AWARDS

Sir Dingle Foot Award, Gray's Inn

Presented with an award by the Vocalize programme run by Gray's Inn.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Spanish - Advanced

French – Advanced

EDUCATION

BPTC, Very Competent

LLM, University of Nottingham

Law with European Law, University of Nottingham, 2:1 (Graduated within the top 10% of the year)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Justice

Constitutional and Administrative Law Bar Association

Personal Injuries Bar Association

PUBLICATIONS/SEMINARS

G. Matthews and N. Williams, Post Brexit crystal ball gazing: What the future holds for Phase I Clinical Trials in the UK, *Clinical Risk*, 2016, Vol. 2 (5-6) 97-104.

Presentation of paper, Post-Brexit crystal ball gazing: The future for phase 1 clinical trials in the UK to the Medico-Legal Society on 11th January 2018. This paper was subsequently published in the *Medico-Legal Journal*, 2018, Vol. 86 (2) 63-71.

Editorial Assistant, '*Human Rights Law Review*' (2010)

As a Research Assistant at the Human Rights Law Centre at the University of Nottingham, Nancy contributed to publications for the European Union Fundamental Rights Agency, specifically FRANET and the UK Annual Review. At the Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law she researched and produced content for a report produced by the organisation in conjunction with the International Bar Association, '*International Access to Justice: Barriers and Solutions* (Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law Report 02/2014).



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