



Hitesh Dhorajiwala

Year of Call: 2019

Hitesh accepts instructions in all of Chambers' core practice areas, with a particular focus on employment, tax (specifically in its intersection with employment law) and personal injury. He has a specific interest in the law of employment status, and its relationship with both employment law and tax.

During pupillage, Hitesh gained experience in all of chambers' core areas of expertise including commercial litigation, employment, personal injury, clinical negligence, insurance and reinsurance, professional negligence and tax.

Hitesh graduated with a BA in Jurisprudence from the University of Oxford in 2014, and an LLM from UCL in 2015. He completed the Bar Professional Training Course (BPTC) at BPP in 2019. He received a PhD in Employment Law from UCL in 2020, focusing on the regulation of work relationship status in English Law. Hitesh continues to work as a Teaching Fellow in Employment Law at UCL.

Employment

Hitesh gained extensive employment law litigation experience as a pupil to Alice Mayhew. This included high value whistleblowing claims, unfair dismissal, permanent health insurance issues in relation to discrimination law, strike out hearings, remedies hearings, and preliminary hearings. Hitesh also has also acted pro bono on employment law matters for independent trade unions, in both advisory and litigation matters.

Tax

As a pupil to Aparna Nathan QC, Hitesh gained a wide range of tax litigation experience, and specifically in *Walveski v HMRC* [2020] UKFTT 0058 (TC), which concerned a novel point of law arising out of s 850C – E ITTOIA 2005. He was also a pupil to Marika Lemos in the Upper Tribunal in *HMRC v Naghshineh* [2020] UKUT 30, which concerned the interpretation of the provisions on sideways loss relief in s 66 – 68 ITA 2007. During pupillage, Hitesh also gained experience in tax advisory work, including work on IR35 matters, and residence and domicile matters.

Personal Injury

As pupil to Stephen Cottrell and Jonathan Butters, Hitesh gained significant litigation and advisory experience in a wide range of personal injury matters. This included experience in relation to road traffic accidents, clinical negligence claims, asbestosis claims, and matters relating to causation and expert evidence (specifically as a pupil to Stephen Cottrell in *Griffiths v TUI UK Limited* [2020] EWHC 2268 (QB)).

Academic

BA (Hons) Jurisprudence; St John's College, Oxford

LLM (Distinction); UCL

BPTC; BPP University – Very Competent

PhD; UCL

Awards and Scholarships

Lincoln's Inn, Hardwike Entrance Award & Lord Denning Major Scholarship

UCL, Faculty Research Scholarship

Memberships

ELA, PIBA, LSWU, ILS