Rehab Jaffer

YEAR OF CALL: 2019



Rehab has a broad public law and civil liberties practice and is regularly instructed in conducting civil litigation. She brings her extensive international legal experience into her asylum and human rights practice and also accepts instruction in all aspects of family law.

"I have found Rehab to be friendly and approachable, and excellent with clients. She is also extremely knowledgeable and has a formidable eye for detail, and offers good feedback/support to those instructing her."

SOLICITOR CLIENT, 2023

"Rehab is friendly and professional. She is excellent with clients and ensures they are well-advised and informed throughout the hearing and even after the hearing. She is also extremely knowledgeable and offers support to those instructing her."

SOLICITOR CLIENT, 2023

"Rehab is calm and professional, which are qualities that put clients at ease. Her advice is clear and easy to understand, and she makes clients feel well supported throughout the court process."

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FAMILY LAW

Rehab is regularly instructed in all aspects of family law. She has extensive experience representing individuals in private children applications, and is also instructed in care proceedings in the Family Court and High Court for local authorities, parents and children, separately represented or through their children's guardian. She is also expanding her practise in advising in family proceedings concerning immigration and nationality issues, as well as international adoptions, international surrogacy arrangements and transnational care and child placement arrangements.

IMMIGRATION LAW

Rehab often represents vulnerable trafficking and sexual abuse victims in appeals to the First-tier Tribunal, and assists in providing advice on the preparation of appeals at every stage. She is also regularly instructed in immigration bails, and advises on next steps thereafter. Rehab is able to use her experience in family law across asylum and human rights cases involving women and children, and is available to provide advice on resolving immigration/and or family issues through the course of each proceedings.

PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL LAW

Rehab is a consultant for the International NGO Accountability Unit and is available for instruction in all areas of public international law, having worked on both defence and prosecution teams in international criminal tribunals, as well as assisting in drafting submissions to UN working groups concerning violations of international humanitarian law.

Alongside her previous roles, and during her practice at the Bar working with vulnerable clients, she has been involved in drafting and collating evidence for in-depth reports on state accountability; including projects on the Uyghurs in China, as well as the Yazidis across Turkey, Syria, and Iraq. Following the drafting of reports and overseeing juniors, she has assisted with preparations for advocacy at peoples tribunals, and parliamentary debate of the reports.

On behalf of Accountability Unit, Rehab has attended the 2022 Training Workshop in Pattani, Thailand run by Cross Cultural Foundation and Access Accountability on interview methodology, which included ensuring interviews and information can be used for justice mechanisms, appropriately identifying perpetrators, and how to successfully submit to UN working groups. This two-week training workshop also involved meeting with local NGOs, authorities, and the diplomatic community to assist with the work of human rights documenters working on discriminatory abuses happening in Thailand's deep south.

COURT OF PROTECTION

Rehab is developing a broad Court of Protection practice, open to instruction from family members, NHS Trusts, and particularly, the Official Solicitor, including in deprivation of liberty cases, section 21A applications, and cases dealing with complex care and transition plans.

PUBLIC LAW

Rehab is available for instruction on behalf of individuals, charities and other organisations in public law claims in a range of contexts including immigration, detention, trafficking, community care, children's rights and criminal justice cases. She acts at all levels and frequently deals with urgent cases raising complex human rights issues. Rehab's clients are often children or vulnerable adults; including those with additional health or education needs or those subject to immigration control.

BACKGROUND

Prior to commencing pupillage, Rehab worked as a judicial assistant to Lady Justice King and Lord Justice Moylan in the Court of Appeal of England and Wales, conducting legal research, and drafting bench memoranda and media statements on high-profile judgments across all areas of law.

She was also employed as a paralegal on the Infected Blood Inquiry. Whilst employed in those capacities, Rehab drafted fact-finding reports into alleged state abuse for the international NGO, Accountability Unit.

In addition, she worked as a research consultant for the UK People's Uyghur Tribunal to investigate China's alleged genocide and crimes against humanity.

Rehab has also interned at EHRAC, the UN-ICTY and the UN-MICT, and she has volunteered for the Prisoners' Advice Service, Release, Amicus ALJ, Citizens' Advice Bureau, ChildLine, and CAAT UK.

TRAINING AND SEMINARS

Rehab has organised and spoken at a number of legal webinars and events. Most notably, she has arranged and hosted an event on the legality of UK arms exports to Saudi Arabia for use in the conflict in Yemen.

AWARDS

Queen Mother Scholar, The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple
Blackstone Entrance Exhibition Award, The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple
Advocacy Award, BPP University
First Runner Up Award, Guru Nanak Bar Social Mobility Scholarship
Honorary Member of the European Society of International Law
University of Liverpool Scholar's Award

EDUCATION

The University of Liverpool, LLB (Hons) Bachelor of Laws (1st Class) Leiden University, LLM Master of Laws in Public International Law BPP University, Bar Professional Training Course

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Accountability Unit, Independent Consultant
Human Rights Lawyers Association, Former Executive Committee
Network of International Law Students, Board Member
Young Legal Aid Lawyers, Member



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