Jane Oldham



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Jane Oldham specialises in public, local government, information and education law. She has appeared at all appellate levels. The directories have for many years ranked Jane consistently as a leading junior in public and administrative, local government and education law, saying that "she has a fine track record of handling sophisticated public, information and education law matters". Jane is Chambers UK 2026's top-ranked local government junior at the London Bar.

> ***A particularly client-friendly manner and the ability to summarise complex issues***
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Expertise

Commercial Litigation

Commercial judicial review: see Jane's public, local government, information and public procurement law pages.

Jane has particular experience in cases at the intersection of public and commercial law, such as the Interest Rate Swap litigation between banks and local authorities, European Regional Development Fund disputes, information law disputes concerning commercial matters, restitution claims arising from ultra vires activity, public procurement, and litigation about wrongful trading through companies in which local authorities have interests.

Achievements

Education

MA (Cantab). (Law, Trinity College, Cambridge.)

Other

Languages, scholarships, memberships:

Jane was called to the Bar in 1985 and was awarded prizes and scholarships by Trinity College, Cambridge, where she read law, and Middle Temple. She is a member of the Administrative Law Bar Association, the Commercial Bar Association, the Procurement Lawyers' Association and (in relation to her local government practice) the Planning and Environmental Law Bar Association. Jane practised part-time between 1992 and 2010, plus various periods of family leave during that time, and returned to full-time practice at the end of 2010.

Jane Oldham also covers a wide canvas but is particularly known for the work she does relating to local authorities and their business relations with the private sector

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barrister of choice in commercial matters

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immensely sensible, thorough and driven

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With bucket loads of experience and calm approach to advocacy that never fails to impress

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Interviewees praised Jane Oldham for her "genius and sheer hard work"

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Her client care is also highlighted as a particular strength

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Jane Oldham is perceived as "a feisty lawyer who goes from strength to strength"

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Jane Oldham is "on the ball straight away" and handles complex cases well. She is further considered an advocate who "understands the law, works well with clients, and possesses intellectual weight"

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She handles everything from pre-dispute advisory work to judicial review, and has experience of the Supreme Court disputes.

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