Lucy Jones



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Lucy is recognised as a “Rising Star”, with a practice spanning all areas of public, human rights, commercial, employment, data protection and international law. She is a member of the Attorney General’s London C Panel and the specialist Public International C Panel.

Lucy acts in high-profile and complex cases before a wide range of international and domestic courts and tribunals, including the European Court of Human Rights, the International Court of Justice and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea.

Before coming to the Bar, Lucy qualified as a solicitor at Freshfields, where she practised as an Associate in the Dispute Resolution Team. She brings a modern, practical and team-oriented approach to her work as a result. She also previously worked as a Government Legal Adviser where she advised on public law, data policy and the negotiation of the UK’s international trade agreements.

Lucy is ranked by Legal 500 and Chambers and Partners as a “Rising Star” and “Up and Coming”. Directory commentary notes her as being “extremely bright and helpful”, putting “tremendous energy into cases”.

> ***Lucy provided very capable assistance on a complex and difficult matter.***
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> CHAMBERS & PARTNERS

Expertise

Public & Human Rights

Lucy practises in all areas of public law and human rights, including judicial review proceedings, claims under the Human Rights Act 1998 and claims before international courts. She is a member of the Attorney General's London C Panel and the specialist Public International C Panel. In her previous role as Government Legal Adviser, Lucy advised on a range of public law issues affecting central government and brings an understanding of the practical challenges faced by clients to her role as counsel.

The Central European University v Hungary

ECHR claim against the Hungarian Government, challenging closure of the CEU's operations in Budapest (acting for the applicant university led by Ruth Kennedy).

R (CKS and ors) v Secretary of State for Education

[2026] EWHC 741

Judicial review challenge against the Secretary of State for Education addressing the lawfulness of her 2025-26 universal infant free school meals programme, and in particular the exclusion of Charedi Jewish children who attend Charedi private schools (acting for the Secretary of State led by Jonathan Auburn KC [2026] EWHC 741).

Lawyers are Responsible

Advice on the implications of various acts of climate activism carried out by doctors (published opinion, led by Tom Cross KC).

Judicial review proceedings concerning the renewable energy sector

(acting for an interested party led by Jason Coppel KC, settled in 2024).

R (Independent Workers' Union of Great Britain) v Central Arbitration Committee (Interested Party: Deliveroo)

Supreme Court appeal addressing collective bargaining legislation and riders' Article 11 ECHR rights (assisting counsel team for Deliveroo as a pupil, [2023] UKSC 43).

Derbyshire NHS Trust v Secretary of State for Health and Social Care (MIND intervening)

Judicial review addressing remote assessments for the sectioning of mentally unwell patients (assisting Tom Cross as a pupil, [2023] EWHC 3338 (Admin)).

R (TZA) v A Secondary School

Judicial review addressing the requirements of the public sector equality duty in relation to school exclusion decisions (assisting Tom Cross as a pupil, [2023] EWHC 1722 (Admin)).

Achievements

Publications

"Cost-capping in 'public interest proceedings': *Good Law Project Ltd v Minister for the Cabinet Office* "

P.P.L.R. 2021, 5, NA155-NA159 (with Kate Gough)

"Non-compliant bids and disqualification: *Stagecoach East Midlands Trains Ltd v Secretary of State for Transport*"
P.P.L.R. 2020, 6, NA281-NA285 (with Kate Gough)

Education

University College Cork, BCLI, First Class Honours

The London School of Economics, L.L.M. (Public International Law), Distinction Legal Practice Course, Distinction

Awards

2015, Valedictorian of the Washington Ireland Programme 2015, UCC College of Business and Law Award

2015, Winner, Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition – Irish National Rounds 2013, Finalist, James D. Donegan Moot Court Prize

2013, Winner, Irish National Law Debates

Memberships

VYAP

COMBAR

ALBA

ELA

ASIL

PLA

Other

In the 2019-2022 legal year, Lucy was a Judicial Assistant assisting Lord Justice Singh in his capacity as a Lord Justice of Appeal and President of the Investigatory Powers Tribunal with cases including *Begum v Special Immigration Appeals Commission* (SIAC) [2020] EWCA Civ 918 (Shamima Begum appeal), *Plan B Earth and others v Secretary of State for Transport* [2020] EWCA Civ 214 (the challenge to Heathrow's third runway) and *Privacy International v Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs* IPT/17/86 & 87H (a challenge to the purported "authorisation" of criminal offences by officials and agents of the Security Service).

Lucy has also held a range of academic research roles, including work for Professor Devika Hovell (LSE) researching the universal jurisdiction trial of Nepali Colonel Kumar Lama (2016) and her role as Foreign Law Intern conducting research in response to Congressional requests at the Law Library of Congress, International Law Division (2015).