Peter Oldham KC



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Peter is a well-known practitioner advising and litigating in public, local government, education and employment law, and has always appeared as a leading silk in the directories. Peter regularly advises and appears in the cutting edge cases in his fields.

> ***He's extremely easy to deal with and very pragmatic.***
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Expertise

Employment

Peter advises and litigates across the employment field, with a particular strength in public sector employment.

Peter advises on all employment issues, including:

- Unfair dismissal including mass dismissals
- Discrimination
- Redundancy and protective awards
- Pension rights, including Pension Ombudsman issues and appeals
- TUPE
- Whistleblowing
- Rights of local authority chief officers under the Local Authorities (Standing Orders) Regulations 2001, and JNC Chief Executive and Chief Officer terms
- Gig economy rights
- Flexible working rights
- Industrial action and injunctions
- Union rights, certification etc
- Trafficked workers' rights
- Whistleblowing
- Crown employment

Holmes v Kirklees Council

(MAY 2026, EAT)

Trade union related claims

Achievements

Education

MA History, first class, University of Cambridge

Diploma in Law, distinction, first in year

Other

Peter worked in banking for a number of years before studying law and becoming a barrister.

Down to earth and willing to put himself in his client's shoes.

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He handles things very well, is very responsive, has a fine academic brain, and is always willing to listen to clients and meet their needs.

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His strengths include his intellect, analysis and expertise, and his approachability.

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He's quick at turning advice around and is always very thorough.

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He has a calm confidence, is excellent with clients and has the ability to quickly identify the key issues in a case.

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He is really good in cases involving novel points of the law and is excellent with clients. He's wonderfully softly spoken, unbelievably bright and very responsive.

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A very good advocate who is very experienced in local government matters.

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He provides practical and pragmatic advice and real world solutions.

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He exudes confidence with sound and pragmatic advice.

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