

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.



Jane Oldham has a fine track record of handling sophisticated public, information and education law matters. She is adept at handling cases concerning the legality of funding cuts, assets of community value and large-scale auditor investigations. She also offers considerable experience in cases involving issues of equality, and is frequently instructed in complex judicial review challenges

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Expertise

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Jane has represented local authorities in mediations.

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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