

## Justin Bates

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## Practice Summary

Justin's practice covers all aspects of housing, property and local government law. He is the Deputy General Editor of the Encyclopaedia of Housing Law and is the author or co-author of a number of other books and annotated statutes. He has given evidence to the Welsh Assembly (Renting Homes (Wales) Act 2016) and the House of Lords (housing and the Equality Act 2010) and the All Party Parliamentary Committee on Legal Aid and the Private Rented Sector. He assisted the Labour housing team with the Housing and Planning Act 2016 and the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017. He is the co-author of the Homes (Fitness for Human Habitation) Act 2018 for Karen Buck MP and spent most of 2018 acting for some of the families of the Grenfell Tower disaster and at the Law Commission as part of the leasehold law reform project.

He is particularly familiar with the work of the Leasehold Valuation Tribunal/First-tier Tribunal (Property Chamber) and has appeared in a number of reported Lands Tribunal/Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) and Court of Appeal cases concerning leasehold disputes, including most of the major Right to Manage cases.

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## Affiliations

- Housing Law Practitioners' Association (former Acting Chair, Vice-Chair, Executive Committee Member)
- Property Bar Association