



## Katie Lines

Year of call: 2018

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## Practice Summary

Katie joined Chambers as a pupil barrister in October 2018 and accepts instructions in all of Chambers' core practice areas.

Since starting pupillage, Katie has gained experience in a wide range of housing law matters including possession claims, homelessness, anti-social behaviour, licensing, and service charge disputes. She has a particular interest in cases involving public law, mental health, equality, and human rights issues.

Katie also has experience in electoral law. She has assisted with cases concerning referendums, and recently wrote a research report on the resolution of electoral disputes in England and Wales for Lebanon's Constitutional Council.

In February 2019, Katie received the Atkin Senior Scholarship for Pupillage, which is awarded by Gray's Inn to pupils of exceptional merit.

## **Awards and Scholarships**

### ***Gray's Inn***

- Atkin Senior Scholarship for pupils of exceptional merit (2019)
- The Norman Tapp Memorial Prize for excellence in mooting (2018)
- Internship Award (2018)
- Prince of Wales Scholarship (2017)
- David Karmel Award (2016)

### ***City Law School***

- Senior Scarman Prize for highest overall mark on the BPTC (2018)
- BPTC Full-Fee Scholarship (2017)
- GDL Fee-Reduction Scholarship (2016)

### ***Durham University***

- Michie MA Prize in History for the best MA dissertation in the History Department (2016)
- Arts and Humanities Scholarship for exceptional academic ability and promise (2015)
- Global Citizenship Scholarship for academic excellence and co-ordination of an academic seminar programme (2015)

### ***UCL***

- Dean's List of Academic Excellence (2012)
  - Alumni Award for the highest grade in the year on the history core course (2010)
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## **Education**

### **City Law School, City University**

- (2018): BPTC, Outstanding (first in year)
- (2017): GDL, Distinction

### **Durham University**

- (2016): MA Medieval History, Distinction (second in year)

### **UCL**

- (2012): BA History, First Class Honours (Dean's List)
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## **Other Experience**

Before coming to the Bar, Katie worked in supported accommodation for homeless individuals, which gave her a practical understanding of homelessness. Katie has also worked for a number of organisations on a pro bono basis. She provided legal advice to members of the public on human rights and equality law with Liberty, and conducted research for lawyers working on asylum claims with Asylos. She has also drafted legal documents in immigration cases with Haringey Migrant Support Centre and has represented individuals in employment tribunals.

In the summer before pupillage, Katie spent three months as a legal intern with the Lebanese Foundation for Permanent Civil Peace. Her internship was supported by a Gray's Inn Internship Award. Katie's work with the Foundation included conducting research for draft laws, and researching and writing reports on international and domestic legal issues.

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## Articles

- 'Resolving Electoral Disputes in England and Wales', published in the 2018 yearbook of Lebanon's Constitutional Council.
  - 'The 2019 Budget: Economic and Constitutional Perspectives', a report on a conference concerning Lebanon's parliamentary budget for 2019. Published in the 2018 yearbook of Lebanon's Constitutional Council.
  - 'Redefining Access to Justice', *City Law School Journal* (January 2017)
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