



## Nikki Carr

Year of call: 2002

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## Practice Summary

Nikki has a general housing/landlord & tenant, property and public law practice. She welcomes both claimant and defendant work in both the residential and commercial sectors. Nikki has had a varied career, during which she has both practised and helped others to develop their own practice skills. This has allowed her to develop a keen eye for detail and to draw on a wealth of experience to improve her own skills. Nikki particularly enjoys the challenge of new areas of legal interpretation. Nikki draws on her experience from her previous practice in a common law set, in which she focused on residential landlord and tenant but also obtained experience in criminal, general civil, family, immigration and employment law. This has allowed her to develop an holistic and practical approach to the legal difficulties with which her clients are faced.

In 2016, Nikki was appointed as a Chairman of the Valuation Tribunal, in which she considers appeals in relation to both domestic and non-domestic rating. Nikki is an honorary consultant for the Federation of Private Residents Associations, offering pro bono advice in relation to long-leasehold issues. She is a volunteer with the Bar Pro Bono Unit, the CLIPS and COAS schemes. She continues to offer accredited training on matters related to her specialisms. Nikki continues to provide CPD training, and has written and edited course materials for cILEX.

Nikki is an academic practitioner with a key focus on technical and complicated work. She is a strong believer in the importance of opportunity for all, not just in a legal context but more broadly. She dedicates her free time to chairing a charity concerned with the creation of nurturing environments for at-risk young people, in order to assist them to develop their skills, promote social responsibility and encourage their active participation in the organisation of youth programmes. In her down time, she is also a keen silversmith and artist.

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## Anti-Social Behaviour

Nikki has experience in all matters relating to antisocial behaviour and represents clients in possession, injunction and committal proceedings. Her current practice is informed by her wider knowledge of family law.

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## **Housing**

Accepting instructions from landlords and tenants in both the private and public sector, Nikki appears in the full range of possession proceedings.

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## **Local Government**

Nikki accepts instructions in all areas of Chambers' core practice areas such as local government work.

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## **Public**

Public Law, Equality and Human Rights issues regularly arise in all aspects of Nikki's areas of expertise.

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## **Real Property**

Nikki accepts instructions in all areas of Chambers' core practice areas as such she has acted in matters relating to enfranchisement, management, service charges and insurance premiums.

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## **Regulatory**

Due to Nikki's common law background, she is accustomed to representing clients in the Magistrates' Court in a wide range of disputes including council tax summonses.

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## **Recommendations**

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*"Nikki combines her exceptional intellectual ability and professional attitude with a practical approach and sensitivity which equals a winning combination for her clients. She is an excellent advocate and I highly recommend her."* Rebecca Patrickson, Solicitor

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## **Legal Publications**

### **Author/Editor**

Chartered Institute of Legal Executives' Manual, podcasts, assessment materials and mini-lectures: 'Preparations for Personal Injury Trials' Level 4 (cILEX Law School, 2014-16)

### **Contributor**

City Law School Manual: 'Advocacy' (Oxford University Press, 2015)

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## **Memberships**

- Social Housing Law Association
  - Housing Law Practitioners Association
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## **Other**

Chairman of the Valuation Tribunal for England

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