

## CHAMBERS IMMIGRATION & PUBLIC LAW TEAM ROUND-UP 2022

At the end of another challenging year, we stop to reflect on all we have managed to achieve together and take this opportunity to thank all our staff, collaborators and friends, who remain an integral part of our team.

We also welcome our new Junior clerk, Sanchia (replacing Jordan), who many of you may have met or no doubt will meet in the coming weeks.

Our work as a multi-disciplinary set continues and has led to many successes this year, especially

with the changing landscape of immigration law. This is reflected by the team's recognition as a Leading Set in Immigration in <u>Chambers and Partners</u> for the first time – here are some of the comments on our team as featured by the Directory:

Merry Christmas Christmas

"Goldsmith Chambers offers a wealth of expertise in all areas of immigration and asylum, at all levels of the court and tribunal

system including the Supreme Court. A source comments: "The expertise on offer at Goldsmith is very strong." The set is noted for its creativity and innovation, with one interviewee noting that "the set is approachable and open to considering matters from different angles," which is an "excellent approach to practically complex cases." Notable highlights this year include a series of complex and high-profile deportation challenges, appeals and judicial reviews.

## On client service:



"The clerks at Goldsmith always reply to our requests promptly with amazing professionalism."

"The clerking team is very responsive and amiable."

"The clerks are always professional, friendly and quick to respond and cater to our needs."

We continue to be ranked in <u>Legal 500</u> with many new individual entries featured in both directories.

All of this has been achieved with your support and as we take on challenges together, we have earned many successes, particularly when dealing with:

- Resettlement claims for Afghans through ARAP and ACRS
- Resettlement claims through the Ukraine Schemes
- Deprivation and deportation
- Challenges to s.95 Accommodation allocation
- Challenges to Age Assessments
- Delays in decision making
- Novel asylum/re-settlement claims within Europe/International.
- EEA-claims post-Brexit.



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## • Unlawful detention

In order to establish where change might be needed, there have been a number of calls for evidence in the immigration field. As part of one of these, our heads of team, Samina Iqbal and Sarah Pinder were invited to give live evidence in parliament on issues of family migration by the <u>Justice and Home Affairs Committee – you can access the recording using this link</u>. We hope together that we continue to meet the challenges that 2023 brings, particularly as part of the <u>Nationality and Borders Act</u> 2022 comes into force. We will bring you relevant webinars and seminars to ensure we are all in a position to tackle these changes together (all older webinars can be found <u>here on our You Tube channel</u>).

As always we appreciate and value the collaborations, we have established and would welcome new ones so that we can continue to try and resolve difficult legal issues as efficiently and effectively as possible, particularly given the speed with which the law changes.

In the New Year, we hope to re-launch our case-law updates and we attach in the meantime our Casebook for 2020 & 2021. We hope that you will find this useful and that you may add this to your resources.

But as we end this year, we want to take this opportunity to thank you for working with us and your continued loyalty. We hope to be even more successful and constructive in 2023 together!

In the meantime, the immigration & public law team at Goldsmith Chambers wish you all a well-deserved break during this festive period and a Happy New Year.

