

David Mason

David Mason is an accomplished barrister, author, journalist and mediator.

In his years of practise he has honed his advocacy skills in representing clients in cases from crime to commercial chancery. He now specialises in employment and discrimination law and in the niche area of medical and other professional regulation.

David believes in meticulous preparation and in particular to fearless advocacy, upholding the true spirit of the Bar, where the



client always comes first, before personal advantage. His effective, and times pugnacious, advocacy has enabled him to succeed for clients in many difficult cases.

David was an Employment Judge for about ten years. More recently, he has been entrusted with significant work as a legal adviser to premier legal and other professional regulators, including the General Medical Council, the General Dental Council, the General Optical Council and the Global Association of Chartered Certified Accountants. He has a probably unique insight in to the crossover between employment issues and professional discipline.

David has represented clients in Employment Tribunals, the EAT and the High Court in employment and related cases. He has a particular interest in restrictive covenants and other contractual issues in employment law. David's clients have included local authorities, police forces, business and corporate clients and individual claimants of all kinds.

David also has the benefit of having been a coroner for over four years, experience which fits well with his medico legal interests. He has represented individuals and families in inquests over many years.

As a practitioner, David believes in up to the minute legal knowledge, forward looking attitudes to the law and clients, including the spotting of new trends in the law, all combined with an old fashioned commitment to client care.

YEAR OF CALL

1984

APPOINTMENTS

Legal Assessor to the General Medical Council

Legal Adviser to the General Dental Council

Occasional lecturer to MA students in medical regulation

Occasional lecturer to full time Employment Judges

Employment Tribunal Chairman (previous)

Coroner (previous)

Panel member, Disability Rights Commission, until it was disbanded

AREAS OF PRACTICE

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Mediation

CIVIL

Employment

REGULATORY

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Recommendations and client feedback

He has a solid reputation as a lawyer and has been described as:

An outstanding & talented individual. He has vast experience & knowledge both within and often outside his chosen specialist field. He is an extremely good advocate with an enviable success rate. I have no hesitation in recommending him' – **Alan Hall, former Director, Engineering Employers' Federation.**

David's tactical awareness is second to none and includes his knowledge of pre-dismissal advice, litigation support as well as his exceptional Tribunal advocacy skills. He is a proven heavy weight, who carefully, subtly and deftly addresses a case from start to finish. I would without hesitation recommend David and am conscious that every one of my client's David represented has expressed their admiration at his ability. – **Damian Robson, (former) Associate, Ward Hadaway solicitors.**

Qualifications

Nottingham University 1970 LLB Hons

Northumbria Polytechnic (as it then was) solicitors' finals 1972

Because of his experience as a solicitor, David was not required to sit the Bar exams and served only a second six pupillage.