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Amelia joined chambers following successful completion of her pupillage in 2021. She has a busy practice across all of Chambers' specialisms and appears in court on a daily basis.

Amelia is a CPS Level 2 advocate and appears in the Magistrate's and Crown Courts, both prosecuting and defending. She has experience representing Local Authorities in public law proceedings and is also regularly instructed in civil cases for both Claimants and Defendants. Alongside her court practice, she is developing a paper-based practice and is regularly instructed to provide advice in civil proceedings.

Amelia completed an LLM at UCL with a dissertation in costs. During this time she worked at a pro-bono clinic providing advice on family, benefits and other civil law matters. She also volunteered with Citizens Advice whilst completing her BPTC and is committed to improving access to justice.

Prior to beginning pupillage, Amelia worked as a solicitor's agent in the County Courts and was instructed in a wide range of hearings, including small claims, CCMC's, infant settlements and various other applications. She has extensive experience of civil proceedings and is also instructed to conduct cases for the Nursing and Midwifery Council. Amelia is always interested in expanding her areas of practice and taking on new work.

Areas of Expertise

Crime

Amelia is a CPS Level 2 prosecutor and accepts instructions to both prosecute and defend in both Magistrates' Court and Crown Court across London and the South East. She has conducted trials involving vulnerable witnesses, expert evidence and dealt with victimless prosecutions. In addition, she has extensive experience conducting virtual and hybrid hearings in both the Magistrate's and Crown court.

Amelia has been instructed to represent defendants in the Crown Court charged with serious crimes such as burglary and firearms offences. She is also instructed for probation hearings in the Crown Court where there are unusual facts or legal points to consider.

Police Law

Amelia has a busy practice providing representation and advice to different police forces on technical issues in a range of applications including:

- Account freezing Orders under POCA
- Forfeiture Orders under POCA
- Sexual Risk Orders
- Sexual Harm Prevention Orders
- Closure Orders
- PII Applications
- Civil Injunctions

She has particular experience in Sexual Harm Prevention Orders and Sexual Risk Orders. She is frequently instructed in the Magistrate's court and also undertakes appeals in the Crown Court. In addition, she often provides written advice and is regularly instructed to consider potential LPP in material seized by police.

Family Law

Amelia regularly represents Local Authorities and parents in care proceedings. She is often instructed in Interim Care Orders, Emergency Protection Orders, IRHs and case management hearings. She is also instructed by the police where there are disclosure issues in family proceedings.

Amelia worked at a pro-bono clinic providing advice on family issues whilst completing her LLM. This experience means she is well placed to guide lay clients through court processes and explain the law and procedure in a clear manner.

Her experience in criminal and police work provides valuable insight in cases which involve proceedings in both the family and criminal courts or have particular disclosure issues. She regularly provides advice on these issues.

Outside her public family practice, Amelia also accepts instructions in private family proceedings.

Civil

Amelia regularly appears in court on different civil hearings, including trials, Stage 3 hearings, approval hearings and other interlocutory applications.

She completed a dissertation in costs at UCL and accepts instructions in a range of civil costs proceedings. She also accepts paperwork instructions in addition to her court work and can advise on liability and quantum in matters of personal injury, credit hire, employer liability and public liability claims. She has significant experience dealing with claims for rental arrears and possession of property in the County Court.

Amelia is also instructed in cases for the Nursing and Midwifery Council and is eager to further develop her practice in medical regulation.

Education

- BPTC University of Law 2018
- LLM University College London 2017
- LLB University of Sussex 2016

Memberships

- Personal Injury Bar Association
- Criminal Bar Association