

Josephine Chu

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Overview

Josephine Chu specialises in family and civil law, accepting instructions in both public and private children cases as well as personal injury, credit hire and contractual claims.

Before coming to Bank House Chambers, She previously worked in a large personal injury department at a Manchester firm. There, she handled employment liability, public liability and road-traffic cases. This adds an extra dimension to her understanding of the litigation process and the importance of client care.

Called: 2007

Education:

LLB
BVC

Family law

Josephine Chu's family law practice encompasses all aspects of public and private law proceedings relating to children, with instructions from parents, grandparents, local authorities and on behalf of children.

She has conducted many multi-day contested final hearings and finding-of-fact hearings, and has experience with cases involving emotional and physical abuse, chronic neglect and domestic abuse.

Her clear, firm but friendly manner is well-suited to cases demanding sensitive handling; it ensures that her clients receive the best possible care while she remains focused on the key issues of the case.

Personal injury law

Josephine Chu is regularly instructed by claimants or defendants for fast-track, multi-track and small-claims track hearings in personal injury, credit hire and contractual disputes. She also accepts instructions for written advices on liability and quantum.

Prior to joining us, Josephine worked in a large personal injury department in a Manchester firm, dealing with employment liability, public liability and road-traffic cases. Therefore, in addition to her advocacy experience, Josephine understands the litigation process and the importance of client care.

Housing and property law

Josephine Chu's housing law practice encompasses issues relating to possession through Section 21 notices, rental arrears, unlawful eviction, injunctions for anti-social behaviour, and claims for disrepair.

Her clear, firm and friendly manner makes her a popular choice among clients. They know that she will provide the best possible service while remaining focused on the case and their own needs. This is evident from her clear and prompt written work.

Employment law

Josephine Chu is instructed on behalf of both applicants or respondents attending tribunals across the country. This includes individuals as well as large corporations and local authorities.

Her experience in this field covers wrongful and unfair dismissal claims as well as Equality Act claims, discrimination and TUPE.

She has conducted numerous multi-day cases in the tribunal on issues of jurisdiction and merit and has attended preliminary hearings.

In addition to her advocacy experience, Josephine is regularly instructed to provide written pleadings and advice, which are always clear and prompt.

Further information

How much will Josephine's services cost?

Josephine Chu mostly works on a fixed-fee basis for the main hearing, with a daily refresher rate for any subsequent date of hearing, although this depends on the type of work you request. If you'd like a quotation for her legal services in a particular matter, please contact our clerk using the details below and we'll be very happy to help. Please also refer to Bank House Chambers' standard terms & conditions.

What might influence the timescales of the services Josephine offers?

Josephine would normally expect to arrange a preliminary conference with your client within 7 days of first contact from you. After that, despite our best intentions, we can't always control timescales or the amount of time we spend on a case. These can be affected by factors such as urgency; complexity; your own (or your client's) availability; Josephine's availability and that of any third parties; the volume of documents she needs to review or must request; and the court's availability.

Can you have confidence in Josephine's work?

She is regulated by the Bar Standards Board.

How can you contact Josephine Chu?

In the first instance, please contact our senior clerk, Wayne Digby, on 0114 275 1223 or email him at w.digby@bankhousechambers.co.uk.

Public Access Work

Can you contact Josephine without going through a solicitor first?

Yes, she's qualified and registered to offer services under the Bar Council's Public Access scheme. You can find out more about our own Public Access work, and for more about the scheme in general please refer to the Bar Standards Board's Public Access guidance for the public.

Josephine provides Public Access services in private family law work, including issues relating to contact (spending time with), residence (living with), and any prohibited-steps orders or specific-issue orders.

Public Access fees

For Public Access cases, Josephine works on a fixed-fee basis. The sort of fees you might pay are shown below, but they can vary. This can be for a range of reasons, but commonly might include the complexity and urgency of the matter, additional hearings, the need to instruct one or more expert witnesses, a change in the nature of the case, new issues emerging, and travel costs if the case is moved (by the court or tribunal to a new venue). To discuss costs or to obtain a quotation, please contact our clerk using the details above.

Public Access – Private family law

Josephine Chu can advise and represent clients on a range of private family law matters. These include arguments over who the child should live with, the time that the child should spend with a parent, any prohibited steps orders sought, or any specific issue order sought (such as which school a child should attend).

Timescales – Timescales for your case may vary, as explained above.

Fees – Josephine's fixed-fee basis means you will be charged a pre-determined amount of money for the services provided. The table below shows indicative price ranges, reflecting the complexity of the case. Please note that these are estimates and not quotations, and that VAT will be added at 20%.

Estimated range of fixed fees based on stage of case

Written advice on your claim

£350–£750

Preparation of case, including meetings with you and assistance with drafting of any witness statements

£500–£1,000

Court hearing (listed for up to 1 hour)

£500–£1,000

Court hearing (listed for 3 hours/half-day)

£750–£1,250

Court hearing (full day)

£1,000–£1,500

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