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YEAR OF CALL: 2016

'A fearless advocate, respected by clients and the courts alike.'

Legal 500 2025

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Practice Overview

Emma is a leading junior barrister, with a busy practice spanning all areas of public and human rights law (both domestic and international) and EU and competition law. She is regularly instructed in complex and high-profile litigation across her core practice areas and in a range of tribunals including the Supreme Court, Privy Council, Court of Appeal, High Court, and Competition Appeal Tribunal. She is equally adept working as part of a team of counsel or as a sole advocate.

Highlights of her recent instructions include acting for the lead group of Claimants in the challenge to the former Government's Rwanda policy, acting for the Secretary of State for Ministry, Housing, Communities and Local Government in the challenge to the Leasehold and Freehold Reform Act 2024, acting for the CMA in connection with its investigation into the merger of Meta and GIPHY, and acting in connection with a series of cases relating to the continued application of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights post-Brexit.

The directories recommend Emma as a leading junior in several categories, including competition law, public and administrative law, civil liberties and human rights, group litigation and EU / EU relations law. They variously describe her as "extremely talented", "outstanding and going to the top" (C&P 2025) and "a fearless advocate, respected by clients and the court alike" with "a sensational brain" (L500 2025). In the 2024 Lexology Index, Emma was one of just two barristers to be listed as a 'Global Elite Thought Leader' in the category of 'Competition – Under 45 Non Partners'. In 2023, she was one of a handful barristers to be included in The Lawyer's Hot 100 and in 2020, she was also the first junior barrister to be profiled by The Lawyer, in its 'Barrister of the Week' series, which described her as a "leading junior", with a "cross-disciplinary practice" and "multi-faceted approach".

Emma is a member of the Attorney General's B Panel and panel of Special Advocates, as well as the Equality and Human Rights Commission's A Panel. She is also a trustee of the AIRE Centre and

in 2020 was the joint recipient of the Young Pro Bono Barrister of the Year Award.

Competition

Emma's practice covers all areas of competition law, including both stand-alone and follow-on competition law claims, regulatory appeals / judicial reviews, and State aid / subsidy control. She acts for both claimants and defendants and is recommended in the field of competition law by each of Chambers & Partners, the Legal 500 and The Lexology Index (formerly, Who's Who Legal).

She has particular expertise in collective actions, having acted in connection with numerous applications for collective proceedings orders since the inception of the regime.

Highlights of Emma's current and recent instructions in this field include:

- *Asda & Ors v Bremnes Seashore & Ors* : Emma is defending one group of Atlantic salmon farmers in this substantial follow-on action taking place in the Competition Appeal Tribunal (led by Sarah Ford KC in the proceedings but unled at a recent jurisdiction hearing – see [2025] CAT 14).
- *Waterside Class Ltd v Mowi & Ors*: Emma is acting in connection with this application for a collective proceedings order (led by Sarah Ford KC).
- *Secretary of State for Health & Ors v Servier*: Emma is acting for Servier in long-running domestic litigation relating to the blood pressure drug, perindopril. This included a 5 week mitigation trial heard in the High Court in summer 2021 (led by Nicholas Saunders KC and Daniel Piccinin KC) ([2022] EWHC 369 (Ch)).
- *Cinven & Ors v Competition and Markets Authority* : Emma acted for the Cinven Appellants in their challenge to the CMA's decision fining a number of pharmaceutical companies for excessive pricing and unlawful agreements in relation to hydrocortisone tablets ([2023] CAT 56, [2024] CAT 17 and [2024] EWCA Civ 1023) (led by Robert O'Donoghue KC and Max Schaefer).
- *Road Haulage Association v MAN SE & Ors* : Emma acted for the RHA in relation to its successful application for the first ever opt-in CPO relating to the trucks cartel ([2022] CAT 25) and in the subsequent appeal ([2023] EWCA Civ 875) (led by James Flynn KC).
- *On The Beach v Ryanair*: Emma acted for Ryanair in connection with an application for a lis pendens stay under Article 30 of the Brussels Regulation, raising issues of retained EU law ([2022] EWHC 861 (Ch)) (led by Brian Kennelly KC).
- *Meta v Competition and Markets Authority*: Emma successfully represented the CMA in

both the CAT ([2020] CAT 23) and the Court of Appeal ([2021] EWCA Civ 701) in this case against Meta relating to the imposition of interim measures during an ongoing merger investigation (led by Marie Demetriou KC). She also represented the CMA in the subsequent judicial review of its substantive merger decision, raising novel issues to do with dynamic competition ([2022] CAT 26) (led by Josh Holmes KC).

- *Mark McLaren Class Representative Ltd v MOL (Europe Africa) Ltd & Ors* : Emma acted for the class representative in the RoRo collective proceedings (led by Sarah Ford KC) in relation to its application for a CPO ([2022] CAT 10, [2022] EWCA Civ 1701 and [2022] CAT 53).
- *Gemalto v Infineon*: Emma was instructed by the Infineon defendants in these follow-on damages claims arising out of the smart card chips cartel (led by Sarah Ford KC and Tim Johnston). This litigation yielded a number of significant judgments on when time starts to run in the follow-on context ([2022] EWHC 156 (Ch) and [2022] EWCA Civ 782).
- *Consumers' Association v Qualcomm* : Emma previously acted for Qualcomm in connection with the collective action brought against it by the Consumers' Association, Which? ([2023] CAT 9) (led by Daniel Jowell KC and David Bailey).
- *Michael O'Higgins FX Class Representative v Barclays Bank Plc & Ors* : Emma assisted in settling the O'Higgins' application for a CPO in relation to collusion in the FX market (in a team led by Daniel Jowell KC).
- *Koninklijke Philips v ASUS Technology PTE & Ors* : Emma represented the implementer in this FRAND dispute, which (amongst other things) produced an important judgment on the extent to which an implementer can avoid a FRAND trial by admitting a SEP holder's entitlement to injunctive relief ([2020] EWHC 29 (Ch)) (led by Daniel Piccinin).
- *Walter Hugh Merricks CBE v MasterCard Inc & Ors* : Emma acted for Walter Merricks at the paper stage of his successful appeal against the CAT's 2017 judgment dismissing his application for a CPO ([2019] EWCA Civ 674) and appeared at the October 2018 jurisdiction hearing ([2018] EWCA Civ 2527) (led by Marie Demetriou KC and Victoria Wakefield KC).
- *Peugeot SA & Ors v NSK Ltd & Ors*: Emma was instructed by one of the Defendants in this follow-on competition damages action in the CAT relating to the Commission's 2014 bearings decision (led by Tony Singla).

Emma also practised in EU and competition law in her previous role as a solicitor at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP. She has a Master's degree in EU competition law from King's College London and has previously lectured in the subject of competition law at Queen Mary's University.

Public and Administrative Law

Emma's public and administrative law practice encompasses the full ambit of public law from commercial judicial reviews to constitutional and human rights based challenges. She acts for a wide range of clients, including NGOs and campaigning organisations, individuals and corporates and defendant public authorities. She also undertakes extensive pro bono work.

She has acted in some of the most significant public and constitutional law challenges of recent years, including the high profile challenge to the previous Government's policy of removing asylum seekers from the UK to Rwanda; the judicial review of the Leasehold and Freehold Reform Act 2024; the Heathrow third runway judicial review and the challenge by the End Violence Against Women Coalition to the CPS' approach to the prosecution of rape. She is recommended in the directories in both public and administrative law as well as in civil liberties and human rights. She has particular expertise in the area of retained EU law and assimilated law and has acted in a number of cases relating to the rights of EU citizens residing in the UK post-Brexit.

Emma is a member of both the Attorney General's B Panel as well as the Equality and Human Rights Commission's A Panel. She is also a trustee of the AIRE Centre, a specialist legal charity whose mission is to promote awareness of EU and ECHR rights and assist marginalised individuals and those in vulnerable circumstances to assert those rights.

Examples of Emma's current and recent public law instructions include:

- *Cadogan & Grosvenor & Ors v Secretary of State for Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government* : Emma is acting for the Defendant Secretary of State in this high profile challenge to the Leasehold and Freehold Reform Act 2024 (in a team led by Sir James Eadie KC, Richard Moules KC and others).
- *American Federation of Musicians of United States and Canada & Ors v Secretary of State for Technology, Innovation and Science* : Emma is acting for the Claimants in this ongoing challenge to the compatibility of domestic law relating to the payment of royalties to US musicians with international law (led by Marie Demetriou KC).
- *BHO v Secretary of State for Health and Social Care* : Emma is acting for the Defendant Secretary of State in this ongoing judicial review related to the compatibility of NHS charging regulations with the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement (led by Sir James Eadie KC).
- *In re K and In re S*: Emma acted (unled) for the Legal Aid Agency in this important case relating to the public funding of experts in the Family Court and the scope of the LAA's statutory duties and powers in relation to the same ([2025] 4 W.L.R. 49).
- *Soanes & Ors v Food Standards Authority* : Emma is acting (unled) for the Food Standards Authority in connection with a series of statutory appeals in the General

Regulatory Chamber. She succeeded at a preliminary issues hearing held in June 2024 raising complex issues of statutory construction and retained EU law.

- *AAA & Ors v Secretary of State for the Home Department* : Emma acted for the lead group of Claimants (including Detention Action, Care4Calais and the Public and Commercial Services Union) in their successful challenge to the former Home Secretary's policy of removing asylum seekers from the UK to Rwanda (in a team led by Raza Husain KC, Phillippa Kauffmann KC and Sam Grodzinski KC) ([2022] EWHC 3230 (Admin) and [2023] EWCA Civ 745).
- *R (AT) v Secretary of State for Work and Pensions* : Emma acted for the Independent Monitoring Authority before the Upper Tribunal and the Court of Appeal in connection with this landmark case concerning the continued application of the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights post-Brexit (led by Marie Demetriou KC) ([2022] UKUT 330 (AAC), [2023] EWCA Civ 1307).
- *Ariste v The Queen* : Emma was instructed by the Death Penalty Project in connection with this constitutional and human rights law appeal to the Privy Council against a conviction obtained in the Bahamas based on confession evidence (led by Paul Bowen KC) ([2023] UKPC 18).
- *R (Newby Foods Ltd) v Food Standards* Agency: Emma successfully defended the Food Standards Agency in connection with this application for judicial review concerned with the classification of certain food products, raising issues of retained EU law (led by Malcolm Birdling) ([2022] EWHC 1505 (Admin)).
- *Fratila v Secretary of State for Work and Pensions*: Emma represented the Independent Monitoring Authority before the Supreme Court in this case concerning the entitlement of those with pre-settled status to certain welfare benefits ([2021] UKSC 53) (led by Marie Demetriou KC). The case raised issues concerning the interaction of the Withdrawal Agreement with retained EU law.
- *Semenya v Switzerland* (Application no. 10934/21): Emma represented the South African Human Rights Commission in its first ever intervention before the European Court of Human Rights, in the Caster Semenya case (led by Jeremy Gauntlett QC, Zahra Al-Rikabi and Jennifer MacLeod).
- *Inquest into death of baby Harry Richford* : Emma acted on a pro bono basis (alongside Jennifer MacLeod) for the family of Harry Richford in this substantial, three week Article 2 ECHR inquest. The Coroner, having heard evidence from 34 witnesses, ultimately concluded that Harry's death was wholly avoidable and had been caused by numerous gross failings on the part of East Kent University NHS Trust, amounting to neglect. The conclusions reached in the inquest led to the then health minister, Nadine Dorries, announcing an independent investigation into preventable baby deaths at the trust.
- *Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants v Secretary of State for the Home*

Department: Emma acted for the claimant in this judicial review challenging the design and operation of the EU Settlement Scheme ([2021] EWHC 638 (Admin) led by Paul Bowen KC).

- *End Violence Against Women Coalition v Director of Public Prosecutions* : Emma acted for the claimant in these judicial review proceedings challenging the Crown Prosecution Service's policy and practice in relation to the prosecution of rape and other serious sexual offences ([2020] EWHC 929 (Admin), [2021] EWCA Civ 350; led by Phillippa Kauffman KC and Jennifer MacLeod).
- *Doctors Association UK v Secretary of State for Health*: a judicial review seeking a public inquiry into the procurement and distribution of PPE during the Covid-19 pandemic, on the basis of Article 2 ECHR (led by Paul Bowen KC and Tim Johnston).
- *Heathrow Hub Ltd v Secretary of State for Transport* : a judicial review of the Government's decision to endorse airport capacity expansion by way of a third runway at Heathrow Airport on the grounds of incompatibility with EU law ([2019] EWHC 1069 (Admin) and [2020] EWCA Civ 213; led by Robert O'Donoghue KC).
- Acting for a large group of Iranian individuals and companies bringing claims under the Equality Act 2010 and Blocking Regulation against Metro Bank (led by Maya Lester KC).
- Advising LIBERTY in connection with its "Care Don't Share" campaign on the lawfulness of various information sharing practices operated by different government departments as part of the hostile environment strategy (unled).
- Defending an Equality Act 2010 challenge brought against a financial institution that was seeking to close a customer's accounts (led by Martin Chamberlain KC and Malcolm Birdling).
- Advising a NGO in relation to a potential access to justice challenge (led by Martin Chamberlain KC).
- Advising a pharmaceutical company on a potential unequal treatment challenge in relation to the delisting of one of its products from the Drug Tariff (led by Kelyn Bacon KC).
- Acting for the Ministry of Justice in connection with various prison law claims (unled).
- Advising the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs on information law (unled).
- Acting *pro bono* for a prisoner at HMP Bure who was seeking to challenge alleged interference by the prison authorities with his mail (unled).
- Acting *pro bono* for various social housing tenants in relation to disrepair and reasonable adjustment claims against their landlords (unled).

Civil liberties and human rights

Emma is further recommended in the directories for civil liberties and human rights, which comment that she "*drafts beautifully*", "*is absolutely wonderful to work with*" and "*has a sensational brain*" (C&P 2025). Emma has acted in cases in this field before tribunals as varied as the Privy Council and the European Court of Human Rights and has strong experience across a range of complex international and domestic instruments, including the European Convention of Human Rights, the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights and the Equality Act 2010.

Examples of Emma's notable current or recent instructions in this area include:

- *Cadogan & Grosvenor & Ors v Secretary of State for Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government*: Emma is acting for the Defendant Secretary of State in this high profile challenge to the Leasehold and Reform Act 2024 on the grounds of A1P1 ECHR (in a team led by Sir James Eadie KC, Richard Moules KC and others).
- *Jersey Hemp v Secretary of State for the Home Department* : Emma acted for the claimant in this A1P1 damages claim, following its transfer to the King's Bench Division (unled).
- *AAA & Ors v Secretary of State for the Home Department* : Emma acted for the lead group of Claimants (which included Detention Action, Care4Calais and the Public and Commercial Services Union) in their successful Article 3 ECHR challenge to the Home Secretary's policy of removing asylum seekers from the UK to Rwanda (in a team led by Raza Husain KC, Phillippa Kauffmann KC and Sam Grodzinski KC) ([2022] EWHC 3230 (Admin) and [2023] EWCA Civ 745).
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- Substantial advice in relation to the Equality and Human Rights Commission's Statutory Code of Practice on Services, Public Functions and Associations (unled).
- Acting for a large group of Iranian individuals and companies bringing claims under the Equality Act 2010 and Blocking Regulation against Metro Bank (led by Maya Lester KC).
- Defending an Equality Act 2010 challenge brought against a financial institution that was seeking to close a customer's accounts (led by Martin Chamberlain KC and Malcolm Birdling).
- Advising a NGO in relation to a potential access to justice challenge (led by Martin Chamberlain KC).

EU and EU relations law

Many of Emma's competition and public law cases raise crosscutting issues relating EU and EU relations law, with the result that she has substantial experience advising on issues relating to retained and assimilated EU law. She has also acted in a number of cases specifically relating to the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement and the rights of EU citizens residing in the UK post-Brexit.

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Commercial

Emma is regularly instructed in commercial disputes of varying size and complexity. Her commercial cases often raise cross-cutting issues that are a complement to the other areas of her practice, including group litigation and tortious claims arising out of human rights abuses. Highlights of her recent commercial experience include:

- Acting for Sir Alan Duncan KCMG, the former Parliamentarian and Government minister, in connection with an application made by one of the parties in the long running Venezuela gold dispute to cross-examine him on hearsay statements made during his time in Government (unled).
- Defending a substantial professional negligence claim against a tax barrister, brought by over 100 claimants (led by Tom Adam QC). Amongst other things, this litigation yielded an important judgment relating to the selection of sample Claimants in group litigation ([2020] EWHC 1231 (Ch)).
- Acting for NRAM plc (formerly Northern Rock plc) in a £100 million professional negligence claim against Eversheds LLP (led by Tom Adam QC and Tony Singla). The

case was chosen by *The Lawyer* as one of its Top 20 cases of 2018.

- Acting for the Serious Fraud Office in connection with the Tesco Profit Overstatement group litigation in the Financial List (led by Victoria Wakefield QC).
- Acting for Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust in a successful over-payment of salary claim (unled).
- Acting for Wye Valley NHS Trust in connection with a constructive trust claim against a contractual counterparty (unled).
- Acting for NatWest bank in a successful strike out / summary judgment application for payment under a guarantee and indemnity (unled).

Emma also has substantial commercial law experience as a result of her experience as a solicitor at Freshfields. During her training contract at Freshfields, Emma spent time in both the firm's commercial litigation and international arbitration teams (as well as assisting on corporate and financial transactional work). After she qualified, she worked on a high-value international commercial arbitration before the LCIA, concerned with the contractual obligations of parents to a joint venture.

Publications

Gold at the end of the rainbow? The quantification provisions of the new EU Damages Directive, Competition Law Insight, Volume 13, Issue 6 (10 June 2014) (with Lawrence, Hollway and Howe).

Natural Justice in the CAT – Lessons for the Competition and Markets Authority and Private Parties, [2015] 8 GCLR 25 (with Das).

Questions Left Unanswered by the Great Repeal Bill, ALBA summer conference paper, July 2017 (with Bacon) (available online at https://adminlaw.org.uk/publications/lecture-papers/).

Competition Act Appeals—practice and procedure in the Competition Appeal Tribunal , LexisNexis practice note, July 2018.

Balancing Speed and Safety: the Authorisation of Covid-19 Vaccines and Medicines, Judicial Review, June 2020, DOI: 10.1080/10854681.2020.1780664 (with Stratford and MacKenzie).

Education & Qualifications

Professional experience:

2016: Called to the Bar of England and Wales

2013-16: Associate Solicitor, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP

2011-13: Trainee Solicitor, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP

Education:

2016: Bar Transfer Test, BPP Law School

2013-15: MA in EU Competition Law, King's College London

2011: Legal Practitioners' Course, BPP Law School

2007-10: BA in Jurisprudence (Law), University of Oxford (Hertford College) (First Class, All Souls Prize for Best Performance in Public International Law, Final Honour Schools)

Scholarships and prizes:

Young Pro Bono Barrister of the Year, 2020 (jointly with Jennifer MacLeod)

Highly Commended, Law Society's Excellence in Pro Bono Award (jointly with Jennifer MacLeod and Arnold & Porter LLP)

Pupillage:

Bar European Group Phoenicia Scholar (2017)

Wolfson Scholarship, The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn (2016)

University of Oxford:

All Souls Prize for the Best Performance in Public International Law, Final Honour Schools (2010)

Twice recipient of the Hertford College Book Prize for academic achievement (2010)

Mooting and Advocacy:

Winner of the KCL Essex Court Chambers Mooting Competition (2015) (a four-stage commercial law competition, the final of which took place in the Supreme Court in March 2015 and was judged by Lord Judge).

Winner of the KCL Graveson Moot (2015) (a three-stage annual competition, covering contract, tort and public law. The final took place in the Royal Courts of Justice before a bench of three, including the Hon Sir David Foskett).

Appointments:

Attorney General’s panel of Special Advocates

Attorney General’s Panel of Counsel (B Panel)

Equality and Human Rights Commission’s Panel of Counsel (A Panel)

Professional Memberships:

ALBA, BEG, COMBAR, JUSTICE, Liberty

Directory Quotes

- "She is brilliant to work with and is brilliant in court." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "Emma continues to provide fantastic, clear, commercial advice at a level way beyond her call. She is also developing into a powerful and fearless advocate. Emma is a really formidable junior, with a commercial approach." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "Emma is an excellent lawyer. She is commercial, sharp and approachable." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "Emma is extremely responsive. She's very sharp and thoughtful. I know she will answer any legal question in an insightful and practical way. She is brilliant to work with, and everyone likes working with her. She is brilliant in court." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "She had difficult drafting to do and she did it beautifully in no time. She had to get on top of very complex facts and she did that with no difficulty. She really steps up and takes on things that are very difficult and she's a really great team player." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "She was very robust but in a diplomatic and charming way, very good at reassuring the witness and very savvy, and at knowing the tricks the other side were likely to try and play." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "The client really trusts Emma and trusts her judgement. She is extremely meticulous, her analysis is really sharp, the way she drafts is excellent and she's really persuasive in front of the court." Chambers & Partners 2027

- "Emma is extremely diligent, with fantastic attention to detail, and her advocacy is great; she is really good to work with." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "Emma is one of the outstanding juniors at the Bar. She has everything: excellent advocacy, excellent drafts and is great to work with." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "She drafts beautifully and gets on top of very complex facts without difficulty and at great speed." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "Emma is extremely bright and very user friendly. She has real persistence and is a really good team player." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "Emma is an excellent lawyer. She is commercial, sharp and approachable." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "I was struck by Emma's excellent intellect and excellent drafting skills." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "Emma is very on the ball and shows high attention to detail." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "Emma is really, really clever, but what is brilliant is that she never stops thinking about a problem. She is really focused on the case in front of her." Chambers & Partners 2027
- "Emma is a star in this area - she knows EU law and retained EU law like the back of her hand. She is formidable in court and will fight hard for each client." Legal 500 2027
- "Emma is a leading junior in competition law. She is a strong advocate in her own right and a clear and forensic thinker." Legal 500 2027
- "Emma is a total class act. Clever, intuitive, client-friendly, and loved by the judiciary. A future star of the Bar in this area" Legal 500 2027
- "Emma Mockford has a strong practice at the intersection of admin and European law. She is noted for her expertise in post-Brexit litigation, having appeared in cases about the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma Mockford has notable experience in the developing area of collective actions on behalf of consumers affected by cartels or other anti-competitive behaviour. She has acted

on behalf of the representative claimants in relation to the trucks cartel. She also has ample experience representing defendants in follow-on damages claims, as well as acting for regulatory bodies and appellants on reviews of CMA decisions." Chambers & Partners 2026

- "Emma is a beautiful drafter, with great speed and quality." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is a star junior." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is very clever, very forensic and super likeable." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is really clever and persuasive." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma's drafting is fantastic. She is thoughtful and strategic in the advice she provides. Her former career as a solicitor is a real selling point; she really gets what clients need." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is the complete package. For someone junior, she has impeccable judgement and a huge capacity for getting through the work with minimum fuss." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "She is a real star to watch. Her written advocacy is of a very high standard; she is a clear and articulate draftsperson. Her tactical judgement is always right on the money." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is great! She is very quick to grasp new concepts and digest a voluminous set of facts. She is flexible and makes herself available where possible - a real pleasure to work with." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "She is highly intelligent, strategic and practical. She leans on her multidisciplinary practice and her time as a solicitor to great effect." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is a first choice for a junior in the EU law sphere. She writes well and has great knowledge, I can't recommend her highly enough." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma Mockford is fantastic. She is bright and hard-working, with a nice manner and approach." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is sharp, commercial and practical, and an excellent advocate." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "She is absolutely brilliant and has real quality." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma Mockford possesses far-reaching public and administrative law expertise, including constitutional and human rights-based challenges. She primarily acts for claimants and is highly sought after by NGOs, individuals and corporates." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is a beautiful drafter with great speed and quality." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is a star junior." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma Mockford is a future star." Chambers & Partners 2026
- "Emma is a really smart and approachable junior who I rely on for public law issues." Chambers & Partners 2026

- "Emma is a barrister who punches far above her weight of call. She is measured and calm, including under pressure, with a fierce intellect and fabulous cross examination skills. She is a future star." Legal 500 2026
- "Emma is formidably clever, hardworking and collegiate. She brings incisive legal arguments as well as practical guidance that helps steer a clear course through complex litigation." Legal 500 2026
- "Emma is incredibly clever and quick - she's always a step ahead and can see just where an argument is going. She never stops thinking about a case or turning issues over in her mind. She's approachable and easy to work with; solicitors and clients love her. She's great at working in a large team of counsel or co-defendants." Legal 500 2026
- "She is extremely talented." Chambers & Partners 2025
- "She is outstanding and going to the top. She is sensible and hard-working and a good advocate." Chambers & Partners 2025
- "Emma can easily gain the trust of the client and can present complex aspects to the court well." Chambers & Partners 2025
- "Emma's written work is extremely thorough. She deftly identifies key points in the case and ensures that submissions have maximum impact." Chambers & Partners 2025
- "The good thing about Emma is that she never stops thinking about a case until you are at the hearing; she is always coming up with new ideas." Chambers & Partners 2025
- "Emma is calm, thorough, efficient and so bright." Chambers & Partners 2025
- "Emma is very hardworking and engaged." Chambers & Partners 2025
- "Emma Mockford drafts beautifully. She has a sensational brain and she is absolutely wonderful to work with." Chambers & Partners 2025
- "Emma was a pleasure to work with. She is highly strategic and is able to zone in on the issues that really matter." Chambers & Partners 2025
- "Emma is a fearless advocate, respected by clients and the court alike." Legal 500 2025
- "Emma is one of the best junior barristers at the Bar period, and not just in competition law. She has it all: razor sharp intellect, impeccable judgment, unflappable, and extremely collegiate. She is destined for great things." Legal 500 2025
- "Emma is a superb advocate. She is razor sharp, gets right into the detail, and drafts very compelling submissions. She is also a delight to work with." Legal 500 2025
- "Her legal analysis is so good and way beyond her years." Chambers & Partners 2024
- "She gets on top of everything quickly, and is so precise, clean and sharp in her drafting. It is so key in a barrister whether they have judgement, and Emma has very good judgement." Chambers & Partners 2024

- "Emma is quick to grasp the concepts and she is able to develop powerful arguments." Chambers & Partners 2024
- "She is very responsive, thorough, knowledgeable, kind and easy to work with." Chambers & Partners 2024
- "Emma is absolutely brilliant, very sharp and responsive. She gets on top of issues." Chambers & Partners 2024
- "Emma is brilliant and creative. She is great to work with." Chambers & Partners 2024
- "Emma really knows how to work with solicitor teams effectively. She is outstandingly good." Chambers & Partners 2024
- "Emma is a fantastic junior. Extremely hard-working, practical and responsive, she worked seamlessly with the solicitors throughout." Legal 500 2024
- "Emma is a real star. She is perceptive and always willing to express a view which carries authority with even the most seasoned lawyers and clients." Legal 500 2024
- "A huge asset to any team she works on. She is wise beyond her years: a cool head on calm shoulders, even in the most complex litigation." Legal 500 2024
- "I have been particularly struck by her sense of strategy and commerciality which is well beyond her year of call." Chambers & Partners 2023
- "She has a fantastic work ethic, a great feel for the issues and a good knowledge of the law. She has maturity and judgement well beyond her call." "Emma is incredibly personable and approachable; a future star of the Bar." Chambers & Partners 2023
- "Strong commercial and practical instincts matched with an excellent legal brain." Chambers & Partners 2023
- "Emma is the complete package and a fantastic barrister. She has a good grasp of the bigger picture, is a real team player and regularly punches above her weight, gaining the full confidence of her client in the process." Legal 500 2023
- "A fantastic barrister, Emma is hugely knowledgeable regarding competition law and possesses excellent judgement." Legal 500 2023
- "Goes above and beyond for her clients. Very well prepared, and judges warm well to her. Very easy to work with." Legal 500 2023
- “An incredible intellect who is great to work with”. “She’ll go very far in the field”. Who’s Who Legal (UK Bar 2022 – Competition)
- "She has very good instincts. She was a solicitor prior to becoming a barrister and has a professionalism that belies her year of call." "She provides very strong advice and insights." Chambers & Partners 2022
- "Always thinking of good strategic insights." "Emma has a calm analytical style and is easy to

work with." "She is on the ball and responsive; she has good attention to detail and is great at seeing the bigger picture." Chambers & Partners 2022

- ‘Emma has razor sharp intellect, is incredibly thorough and diligent and also very good to work with.’ Legal 500 2022
- ‘She has penetrating intellectual ability, drafts beautifully and is a strong team player, always delivering what is promised within the time set. She punches well above her weight in terms of call and gains client confidence immediately. ’ Legal 500 2022
- ‘Emma is a rising star and destined for great things. She is decisive, takes control and grapples with complex, cutting edge legal issues and provides a route-map through the issues.’ Legal 500 2022
- ‘Emma is absolutely brilliant; ferociously intelligent, a keen analytical mind and turns work around exceptionally quickly. The dream junior.’ Legal 500 2022
- ‘She is really superb – a star of the future.’ ‘Emma is an experienced lawyer and has great judgement.’ Chambers & Partners 2021
- ‘Emma is extremely practical and solutions-focussed. She combines substantial expertise in competition and EU law with an ability to think laterally in order to find ways through difficult issues. She is indefatigably hard-working, and she is always a positive team member. Very popular with silks and instructing solicitors alike.’ Legal 500 2021
- ‘An effective and efficient advocate, and a great asset to the team.’ Legal 500 2021 ‘Calm, measured but fearless when necessary.’ Legal 500 2021
- ‘Diligent, detail-orientated and pragmatic.’ Legal 500 2021