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Overview

Lucile joined Chambers in 2019, having successfully completed pupillage under the supervision of Alice Nash, Henry Bankes-Jones and Jamie Carpenter KC. During pupillage, Lucile experienced a range of work in professional negligence, personal injury, clinical negligence, costs and commercial disputes. She conducted research for Michael Pooles KC and Matthew Jackson in *Edwards v Hugh James Ford Simey Solicitors* [2019] UKSC 54.

Lucile accepts instructions in all of Chambers' areas of practice. She frequently acts in trials, interlocutory applications and CCMCs. She regularly appears as sole counsel in both the High Court and County Courts.

She acted as junior counsel to Michael Pooles KC before the Court of Appeal in *The Right Reverend Nicholas Baines, Lord Bishop of Leeds & Anr v Dixon Coles and Gill (a firm) & Ors; Guide Dogs for the Blind Association & Ors v Box & Ors* [2021] EWCA Civ 1211.

She was also led by Michael Pooles KC in *King and others v DWF LLP and others* [2023] EWHC 3132 (Comm).

Lucile appeared alongside Simon Howarth KC as junior counsel in *Kession Capital Ltd v KVB Consultants Ltd and others* before both the Supreme Court ([2026] UKSC 11) and the Court of Appeal ([2024] EWCA Civ 765).

Before joining Chambers, Lucile worked for Quest Legal Advocates LLP as a county court advocate. She undertook cases pro bono for the Hackney Community Law Centre, Free Representation Unit (Employment) and School Exclusion Project. She conducted research for Robert Weir KC in *Dryden and others v Johnson Matthey Plc* [2018] UKSC 18.

Education

- The University of Edinburgh (2011-2015) Master of Arts with Honours; Philosophy; First Class
- City, University of London (2015-2016) Graduate Diploma in Law; Commendation
- City, University of London (2016-2017) Bar Professional Training Course; Outstanding

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Publications

Following articles published in the Personal Injury Brief Update Law Journal:

'Vicarious liability once removed, by way of TUPE.' Case Comment on *Baker v British Gas Services Ltd and J&L Electrics (Lye) Ltd* [2017] EWHC 2302 (QB), November 2017 issue. Focussed on how TUPE would apply to transferees where the transferor is vicariously liable for a TUPEd employee.

'Vicarious Liability and Non-Delegable Duty: the Tweedle-Dum and Tweedle-Dee of Strict Liability?' Case Comment on *Armes v Nottinghamshire County Council* [2017] UKSC 60, December 2017 issue. Focussed on the policy reasons given by the Supreme Court for imposing vicarious liability but not a non-delegable duty on the local authority for tortfeasor foster carers.

'Counterintuitive or Commonsensical?' Case Comment on *Meadows v Khan* [2017] EWHC 2990 (QB), January 2018 issue. Focussed on the application of SAAMCo's "Mountaineer's Knee" analogy in a clinical context and questioned the practical implications of the judgment on scope of duty and recoverable losses.

'Please mind the gaps.' Case Comment on *Hassell v Hillingdon Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust* [2018] EWHC 164 (QB), February 2018 issue. Focussed on the impact of inconsistencies in the Defendant's evidence on the decision.

'The Problem of Never Saying Never.' Case Comment on *Duce v Worcestershire Acute Hospitals NHS Trust* [2018] EWCA Civ 1307, July 2018 issue. Focussed on the judgment's analysis of *Chester v Afshar* [2004] UKHL 41 and considers the difficulties involved in proof of causation in informed consent cases.

Prizes and scholarships

Winner of the Middle Temple Young Barristers' Association's Advocacy Competition (2018)

Certificate of Honour from the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple for BPTC results (2017)

Finalist in the Senior Moot at City, University of London, held in the Supreme Court (2017)

Diplock Scholarship from the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple (2016)

John Beresford Wood Prize; awarded to the highest performing Honours student in the History of Philosophy at the University of Edinburgh (2015)

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