

Public Law



Duncan Lewis

Giving people a voice

**When public bodies act incorrectly,
they need to be challenged.**



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The decisions of public bodies, where there is no other right of appeal, are susceptible to judicial review. Duncan Lewis have experience in all aspects of judicial review, including obtaining emergency orders and other interim relief to prevent breaches of human rights, following up judicial reviews with actions for damages in both the County and High Courts and successfully pursuing judicial review matters to the Court of Appeal and House of Lords. We have acted in a number of high profile cases and our experienced department has a deserved reputation for committed and professional conduct.

We are now well established and known by the Legal Services Commission, the Courts, and the Treasury Solicitor. This enables us to quickly and effectively obtain funding, manage cases with the Court (get quick listings, direct access to Court lawyers etc), and communicate with team leaders at Treasury Solicitors.

We have more case workers carrying out Public Law work than most firms. This results in a depth and breadth of knowledge, constant effective cover, and an ability to monitor the approach of Defendants in different cases which enables us to point out inconsistencies. This also means that when dealing with a large class of case we are likely to have conduct of several, meaning that we are likely to get lead cases and be able to steer the course of the litigation to favour all of our clients.

We advise other firms on funding and case management issues regularly.

Services

The Public Law Department makes challenges to non-appealable decisions of all public bodies. These can be central or local government, or other organisations carrying out public functions.

Our work includes advising upon challenges to decisions of:

- Children & Family Court Advisory Support Service
- Criminal Cases Review Commission
- HM Prison Service
- Local Authorities
- Metropolitan Police
- National Asylum Support Service
- NHS Trusts
- Parole Board
- Probation Service
- UK Border Agency
- Universities

We conduct all stages of such matters from initial pre-action correspondence to filing conducting and settling claims.

We carry out both publicly and privately funded work.

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