

DR ELLIE BROWN

Year of call
2021



Ellie joined Chambers in October 2022, after successfully completing her pupillage.

During pupillage, Ellie was supervised by James Weston, Alex Young, Elaine Banton and Dr Gregory Burke.

During pupillage, Ellie gained experience in chambers' core areas including Civil, Employment, Family and Crime. Ellie is a Grade 1 CPS Prosecutor.

Of note, Ellie was led by Gordon Aspden KC, in successfully prosecuting a defendant charged with attempted murder and two rapes (see [here](#)).

Prior to her career at the Bar, Ellie qualified as a solicitor (in 2015) and gained experience in corporate law, employment disputes, commercial litigation and regulatory law. During her legal training, she undertook a placement at the Coroner's Office in Manchester.

Ellie has experience working in-house, where she negotiated and advised on commercial contracts, real estate issues, intellectual property, data protection, health and safety and other regulatory matters.

In the years preceding pupillage, Ellie completed a masters in Criminology and Criminal Justice at the University of Oxford, where she was awarded the Oxford Routledge Prize for best dissertation for her research on radicalisation in prisons. Ellie then completed a PhD at the University of Cambridge in Law and Criminology, where she researched the use of segregation in English prisons and the role of law in these environments.

During her PhD, Ellie was seconded to the Sentencing Council for three months where she researched and advised on the development of new sentencing guidelines. She also worked closely with the Ministry of Justice in revising and updating prison laws and policies.

Ellie previously taught law in various prisons including tort, contract and advocacy skills. She was also the Executive Director of the Cambridge Pro Bono Project where she worked on a range of issues including modern slavery complaints, the digitalisation of the English court system, and the legalities and reporting

obligations arising from the use of air missiles in Syria by the British military. Throughout her time at Cambridge, Ellie was also a disability mentor and was (and continues to be) passionate about supporting those with mental health conditions.

Education

- PhD in Law & Criminology titled 'Prison Segregation – the Limits of Law and Legal Reform', University of Cambridge
- MSc in Criminology & Criminal Justice, University of Oxford
- Legal Practice Course, University of Law
- Graduate Diploma in Law, University of Law
- Business Management, King's College London

Scholarships & Awards

- Winner of the Cambridge Society for the Application of Research Award
- Finalist for the Vice Chancellor's Research Impact and Engagement Award
- Economic and Social Research Council full scholarship for the PhD
- Oxford Criminology thesis shortlisted for the Howard League John Sunley Prize
- Oxford Criminology thesis awarded the Oxford Routledge Prize for Best Dissertation
- Semi- finalist in the National Moot Court Competition hosted by Dublin City University

Publications

- Brown, E. A Systematic Review of Prison Segregation. *Journal of Aggression and Violent Behaviour*, March 2020
- Abati, E., Brown, E., Campion, E. et al. Exploring the impact of Council of Europe institutions through a cross-jurisdictional collaboration. *Howard League for Penal Reform ECAN bulletin*. 2018
- Contributed to the country profile for England and Wales, for *Prison Insider*. Aug, 2019
- Brown, E. Online Dispute Resolution: an international snapshot for Law, Technology and Access to Justice. May, 2019