

Kiera Riddy

Barrister (Associate)



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Kiera is based in the firm's Exeter office and has recently completed pupillage under the supervision of Luke Berry. Kiera has appeared in courts across the country dealing with work as varied as court of protection, inquests, property disrepair and teacher regulation.

Kiera's court appearances, both in person and virtually, include tribunals, inquests and procedural hearings through to final hearings. Alongside a busy court diary, Kiera drafts court documents and advises clients across the full field of the firm's work.

Prior to commencing pupillage, Kiera worked as a construction and property litigation paralegal where she assisted in a wide variety of contentious and non-contentious matters including rent arrears claims, land disputes and architectural negligence claims. Kiera is currently a senior member of the Valuation Tribunal for England and Wales and regularly hears appeals relating to council tax banding, rateable values and business rates.

Expertise

Academy trusts and schools

Central government

Higher education institutions and universities

Independent health and care

Insurance

Local government

NHS acute trusts

NHS mental and community health trusts

Social care

Featured experience

Teachers Regulation Agency

Acted for the Teachers Regulation Agency in multiple disciplinary hearings arising from breaches of teaching standards. Acted in multiple cases arising from inappropriate relationships and sexual misconduct.

Court of Protection

Acted for an Integrated Care Board on proceedings concerning supported living placements and the restrictions authorised to support care.

Inquests

Acted for multiple public bodies in inquests arising from prison death, inpatient death and death in a care facility.

Testimonials

"Kiera has a determination to get into the detail quickly and efficiently, and then assimilate the evidence to provide intelligent analysis and advice. She is a strong team player, driven and great to work alongside."

Partner, Insurance and Public Risk, Browne Jacobson

"A big thank you to Kiera for all her support, guidance and patience. Kiera you were professional, kind and patient, checking in on me and making sure all connections and material was received ok - so thank you!"

HR Director, A school

"I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for stepping in at short notice to support. I thought that your knowledge of the inquest process on the day was invaluable and I am confident that your contribution assisted in securing the short narrative and the PFD."

Healthcare Safeguarding, Quality and Court of Protection Manager, A CCG

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Associate Solicitor, Insurance and Public Risk, Browne Jacobson