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Helen Gascoigne, Associate

Experience

Helen specialises in housing management with a particular interest in anti-social behaviour and tenancy fraud. Helen represents, and is highly regarded by, several large London Social Landlords and has undertaken high profile cases for them.

Helen was formerly a trainee with the firm and returned to the department following over 4 years as an in-house solicitor for Southampton City Council. Since qualifying as a solicitor in 2008 Helen has practised exclusively in the area of housing management litigation representing landlords.

Expertise

Helen deals with advising on tackling anti-social behaviour, complex possession claims, Injunctions, committal applications, squatter and trespasser claims, disrepair counterclaims, capacity issues including Court of Protection, mental health and safeguarding.

Helen is a social housing specialist with a sound understanding of the needs of landlords and the challenges and pressures they face. She appreciates that it is essential to work in partnership to provide the most suitable and cost effective solutions.

The Director of Housing of one client says of her *“Helen’s casework is superb (she has kept up our 100% record!) and her client care skills are exemplary. She has taken time to get to know the individuals in my team, how they work and what they need.”*

Helen conducted a successful appeal in a widely reported subletting case which gave guidance on calculating Unlawful Profit Orders. She also obtained one of the first multi-party civil injunctions against minors and also one of the first joint youth and adult civil injunctions in the country following the ASB, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

Helen regularly speaks at seminars and her practical training style is popular with clients.



Notable projects

- **Poplar HARCA v. (1) Begum (2) Rohim [2017] UKHC 2040 (QB)** a successful appeal in a subletting case and the first case to consider and give guidance on calculating Unlawful Profit Orders
- obtaining one of the first 1) multi-party civil injunctions against minors and 2) joint youth and adult civil injunctions in the country following the ASB, Crime and Policing Act 2014

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- Next Generation Lawyer; and
- *“associate Helen Gascoigne is ‘a tried and tested legal adviser, with strong sector knowledge and a quiet efficiency’”*

2015 *“senior lawyer Helen Gascoigne... attract[s] praise from clients”*