

Miss Amanda Nanhoo-Robinson Gray's Inn

General Information

Amanda attended both universities in Leeds, reading law, followed by a Masters in European Legal Studies under Professors John Bell and Jo Shaw in 1997. She then read Latin at Leeds, while she worked as a volunteer legal advisor for the Citizens Advice Bureau. Within months, Amanda was trained as the Employment Rights Officer, representing clients in tribunal proceedings. Her first court hearing was in the Employment Appeal Tribunal.

In 1999, Amanda attended BPP Law School in London achieving a VC (Very Competent) and was called to the Bar at Gray's Inn in July 2000. She gained pupillage with J. Henry Trumpington at Staple Inn Chambers, where she undertook criminal, civil, and commercial work. As a result of her legal experience, Amanda was given dispensation by the Bar Council and qualified early (8 months instead of the standard 12) and was immediately offered tenancy at 169 Temple Avenue, Chambers of the late Evan Ashfield, where she practised civil and commercial litigation, with an emphasis on insurance law and employment law.

Amanda joined Broadway House Chambers, as part of the Employment Team in Leeds, alongside undertaking commercial chancery work, for several years before returning to London. As part of that team she delivered seminars and training to solicitors and local authorities, which she continues to offer.

Following her return to London, Amanda set up her own Chambers alongside working with solicitors' firms and companies, during which she has continued to practice employment law and civil and commercial litigation, as well as providing private training and undertaking Pro Bono work.

In 2019 Amanda trained with the London School of Mediation and is an Accredited Mediator.

Amanda spends her spare time painting and writing; she has written several books including Brexit A2Z: Facts Not Fiction (designed for lay people), her articles appear regularly in the Yorkshire Bylines and she has co-authored several articles in the New Law Journal with David Wolchover. Amanda also writes fiction, under a pseudonym.

Direct Access Practice:

Amanda is qualified to accept instructions directly from members of the public and professional clients under the Direct Public Access scheme.

Specialisms:

Employment law – with over 23 years of experience in employment law, Amanda has worked throughout the UK and represented claimants and respondents in every area of employment law, including whistleblowing, redundancy, TUPE, breach of contract, unfair dismissal, restrictive covenants, defamation and discrimination. Cases which have been in the news have involved religious discrimination, race discrimination, and pregnancy dismissal. Amanda has represented clients in multi-claimant cases, including 20 claimants in an insolvency matter and defending a pensions issue involving over 11,000 employees. Work includes regulatory advice/compliance and personal injury.

Civil and Commercial Litigation – Amanda has 18 years' experience and particularly enjoys 'out of time' applications, complex legal applications and challenges, injunctive proceedings, judicial review proceedings, human rights arguments, and contractual disputes. Unusual cases have included: Permission to appeal granted to pursue an action against a high street bank for breach of

trust, dispute of ownership of a small airplane held on trust by a third party, psychiatric injury arising from breach of duty by employer, breach of contract in delivery of a vessel, and obtaining an Interim Injunction to prevent a performer from breaching copyright and IP. She has also advised on and defended cases referred to the CJEU.

Entertainment law- Amanda has worked regularly for media clients (actors, musicians and a music company) and her work has included contracts, injunctions and defamation. She is the private lawyer for Navi and the lawyer for Showtime Productions.

Publications include:

- The latest attack on our judiciary begs the question: have we surrendered to fascism?
- Judicial Review under review
- Covid-19: early reopening worse than lockdown
- Who will benefit from a no-deal Brexit?
- Constructive Dismissal at the highest echelons of government
- Brexit, the Prime Minister and the Single Market
- Brexit: the beginning of the end?
- The referendum leave campaign & electoral breaches
- The Impact of Brexit on Workers' Rights
- Is Brexit a Russia-backed Coup?
- Brexit A2Z: Facts Not Fiction

Education:

1993-1996 LLB (Hons) Law, Leeds Metropolitan University. Specialist subjects: European law, Jurisprudence, Employment Law.

1996-1997 MA European Legal Studies with additional languages (Dutch for Law and French Economics and Business), University of Leeds. Thesis: 'Has Economic Integration Resulted in Social Disadvantages Within the EU?'

1997-1999 Latin, University of Leeds

1999-2000 Bar Vocational Course, BPP Law School, London. Specialist subjects: Insurance Law and International Trade.

2019 Accredited Mediation Course, London School of Mediation

2020 Cognitive Behaviour Therapy, online course

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