






 **Bella Tait**
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Interests

Being outside, hiking, cold-water swimming, and walking her dog. Bella is a semi-professional disc golf player, including international competition and representing GB. Finally, Bella is passionate about baking (and eating) sourdough bread.

Testimonials

We have instructed Bella on numerous occasions for a wide range of cases. Bella is personable yet professional, she provides the most vulnerable client with robust advice in a sensitive manner. She is a formidable advocate and there is a strong sense of her fighting for the client.

Bella also turns her hand to finances, she is thorough and sensible. Whether it be public, private or finance proceedings Bella is reliable and goes above and beyond on every case. She is a pleasure to work alongside.

-Jenna Ellison, Burdward

Profile

Bella was called to the bar in 2021 and joined Unit Chambers following successful pupillage in 2023. Bella is a bright, compassionate and fearless advocate, working hard for each client in a robust and detailed way.

Since joining chambers, Bella has developed a varied practice in:

- **Public law** – acting for local authorities, parents and guardians. Bella has a particular interest in complex care matters and deprivation of liberties.
- **Private law** – complex finding of fact hearings, applications for experts and relocation (international and domestic).
- **Injunctions** – including non-molestation order, occupation orders and forced marriage protection orders.
- **Financial remedies** – FDA, FDRs, final hearings and interim applications.

Bella's client-care is second to none; she cares, and her clients really feel that. She is able to explain complex legal issues to ensure full engagement for each client whilst providing a level of concise and persuasive advocacy well beyond her years.

Prior to pupillage at Unit Chambers, Bella worked as a family law paralegal in the NYAS legal team and as an advocate for children in care, in need, and care-leavers. This allowed Bella to gain in-depth knowledge of both 16.4 guardian work and gave her a more holistic understanding of social services. Bella played a crucial role in assisting guardians with the progression of the most complicated private law cases which gave her experience in difficult case management, developing areas of law (such as parental alienation), and regular instruction of experts.

Bella's professional background spreads beyond the legal world to include teaching English and being a counsellor. This has given Bella the ability to quickly build rapport with clients from all backgrounds, identify their needs and provide stellar client care.

Bella can also speak Italian to business level.

Scholarships & Awards

- Rising Star Award, Liverpool Law Society's Annual Dinner and Legal Awards
- Pro Bono Champion, Unit Chambers
- BPTC Exhibition Scholarship, Inner Temple
- BPTC Top Student Scholar, MMU
- Sports Scholar, MMU and Blues Award, Edinburgh

Qualifications

- MA Italian and Politics [2:1], University of Edinburgh
- MSc Childhood Studies (specialism in children's rights) [Merit], University of Edinburgh
- GDL [Distinction], Manchester Metropolitan University
- BPTC [Very Competent], Manchester Metropolitan University