

Zoe Harper



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Profile

Zoe practises in immigration, human rights and public law. She specialises in refugee and protection claims and has particular expertise in cases involving trafficking and gender-based violence and in representing vulnerable individuals.

Zoe is instructed in immigration and asylum proceedings, in challenges to decision-making within the National Referral Mechanism (on behalf of victims of trafficking) and other judicial review applications. She has been appointed to the Equalities and Human Rights Commission Panel of Preferred Counsel.

Prior to joining Chambers, Zoe was Legal Officer at the Immigration Law Practitioners' Association (ILPA), conducting advocacy on the parliamentary bill that became the Immigration Act 2016 and training extensively on the legislation. She is co-author of A Guide to the Immigration Act 2016 published by Bloomsbury Professional. She previously led advocacy on the rights of survivors of torture in the UK asylum system at Freedom from Torture and provided individual representation in roles at Asylum Aid, Refugee Legal Centre and Hackney Community Law Centre.

Zoe is joint co-ordinator of the Anti-Trafficking Legal Project (ATLeP) and was part of an OSCE fact-finding mission investigating trafficking risks in Albania. Her research at Barnardo's on protecting young people at risk of exploitation is identified as a 'noteworthy

project' in the UNICEF Handbook on the Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography.

Education

BA (Hons) French and Spanish, University of Sheffield (1992-1996)

MSc Violence, Conflict and Development, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London (2000-2002)

Graduate Diploma in Law, BPP University (2012-2013)

Bar Professional Training Course, BPP University (2013-2015)

Languages

French

Spanish

Related practice areas

Immigration

Anti-Trafficking

Children's Rights Group

Court of Protection & Mental Health

Discrimination