

## Beth Harvey-Smith

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### Clerks' Details

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### Education

- Beth graduated from the University of St Andrews in 2008 with a First Class Degree in English Literature. Whilst undertaking the Graduate Diploma in Law and the Bar Vocational Course, she was awarded a Blackstone Entrance Exhibition and a Lord Diplock Scholarship.
- Beth recently returned to the self-employed Bar, having worked as an advisory lawyer for HMRC and for the Government Legal Department. Beth has also previously undertaken work as a freelance law tutor on the Bar Training Course and the Postgraduate Diploma in Law. Prior to pupillage, Beth worked as a paralegal at the Information Commissioner's Office.

### Appointments

- Fee-paid Judge of the First-tier Tribunal (2023)

### Commercial CV

#### Overview

Beth has recently returned to the self-employed Bar and is developing a commercial practice. Her previous commercial work includes:

- Sale of Goods Act disputes
- Consumer Credit Act issues
- Contractual disputes

Beth has appeared in the Applications List in both Manchester and Leeds; successfully applied to set aside default judgments; successfully acted for mortgagees resisting applications to stay/ suspend warrants for possession, and appeared in the winding up petitions list on several occasions. She has been instructed in a multi-track costs and case management conference, and has attended directions hearings in mercantile and chancery matters. She has also advised, drafted pleadings, and attended hearings in various contractual disputes.

## Recommendations

“Very approachable, highly commercial and meticulous. Beth is very bright and is quick to grasp complex and difficult issues. She is an excellent advocate who has a measured approach and remains cool under pressure. I very much enjoy working with Beth and look forward to doing so in the future.”

**Hannah Leese, Senior Solicitor, Mills & Reeve LLP.**