

Beth Harvey-Smith

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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)

Insolvency CV

Overview

Beth has recently returned to the self-employed Bar and is building her practice in relation to insolvency work. Examples of previous insolvency work undertaken include:

- Bankruptcy petitions
- Applications on behalf of office-holders
- Winding up petitions
- Advising in relation to personal and corporate insolvency
- Orders for sale on behalf of Trustees in bankruptcy

She has advised (in conference and in writing) in relation to both personal and corporate insolvency matters. She has advised in relation to the implications of bankruptcy on the extent of the equitable interests in jointly owned property, and advised in relation to directors' duties and transactions at an undervalue. She has also successfully acted for creditors in disputed bankruptcy petitions.

She has also appeared on behalf of mortgagees and landlords in possession proceedings, and applications to set aside orders for possession.

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.