

Jessica Boyd KC

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– CHAMBERS & PARTNERS, 2024

Year of call: **2007**
Appointed to silk: **2022**
Degree: **MA Hons (Cantab), Philosophy, (Double Starred First), PhD, Philosophy, Princeton University**
Languages: **German (working knowledge), French (some knowledge), Arabic (some knowledge)**



Jess took silk in 2022. Her expertise spans administrative law and human rights, telecommunications, competition law, media law and regulation, and the intersections between these fields. She undertakes advocacy at all levels and has appeared a number of times in the Supreme Court. She is ranked in one or both of the leading legal directories in the fields of Administrative/Public/Regulatory Law, Civil Liberties and Human Rights, Media and Communications, Telecommunications, Competition and EU law. Recent comments include:

- "Jessica has a first-class ability to get to grips swiftly with complex technical matters and deliver powerful and persuasive arguments perfectly tailored to the audience."- Legal 500, 2024
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Previous comments include:

- "Great to work with, incredibly client-friendly and is a real asset on regulatory/licensing cases where she can bring her substantial administrative law experience."- Legal 500 UK, 2023
- "Jess is an extremely accomplished advocate when it comes to competition law, quickly understanding the markets, the competitive dynamic and the regulatory context. She understands her client's needs, not only in terms of the law itself but the commercial context in which it is sought; her elevation to silk recently was richly deserved."- Legal 500 UK, 2023
- "She is a real standout; an excellent practitioner."- Chambers UK, 2023
- "a superb mind, produces really amazing drafting and a real knack of getting to the issues...takes clients into matters on a fighting stance"- Chambers UK, 2023
- "drafts like a dream and produces taut, elegant and persuasive advocacy"- Chambers UK, 2023

EXPERIENCE

Public & Regulatory

Jess has a broad public law practice, encompassing civil liberties, human rights, commercial judicial review and all aspects of regulatory and administrative law. She acts regularly for claimants and defendants at all levels, and has appeared in the Supreme Court in cases relating to the principle of equal treatment, the status of torture evidence, regulators' costs and tax disputes.

“She is outstanding at oral and written advocacy. She expresses complex legal principles in a plain and understandable manner.”

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Cases

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Appeared for Ofcom in appeal to the Supreme Court by pharmaceutical companies concerning the rule applicable in the Competition Appeal Tribunal in relation to regulators' costs.

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R (Gallaher Limited and Somerfield Stores Limited and others) v Competition and Markets Authority

[2018] UKSC 26; [2016] EWCA CIV 719

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Maharaj v National Energy Corporation of Trinidad and Tobago

Acted as junior to Mike Fordham QC in an appeal to the Privy Council from Trinidad and Tobago concerning the proper application of the delay rules in judicial review in that jurisdiction.

R (Avaaz) v Ofcom

[2018] EWHC 1973 (Admin)

Acted for Ofcom (with Pushpinder Saini QC and Flora Robertson) in a judicial review brought by the Avaaz Foundation of Ofcom's decision that Sky would not cease to be fit and proper to retain its broadcast licences in the event of a merger with 21st Century Fox.

R (Hutchison 3G UK Ltd) v Ofcom

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R (Beety) v. Nursing and Midwifery Council

[2017] EWHC 3232 (Admin)

Acted as junior counsel to the Claimant in judicial review of the NMC's decision concerning the adequacy of professional indemnity insurance held by independent midwives.

EE Ltd and Ors v Office of Communications,

[2016] EWHC 2134 (Admin); [2017] EWCA Civ 1873

Acted with Pushpinder Saini QC for Ofcom in a claim for judicial review brought by EE (and supported by the other mobile network operators) concerning Ofcom's decision to revise the annual licence fees payable for the use of certain bands of spectrum for mobile telephony. Ofcom won at first instance and lost in the Court of Appeal.

R (Crompton) v South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner
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Acted as junior counsel for David Crompton, the former Chief Constable of South Yorkshire Police, in his successful claim for judicial review of the decision of the Police and Crime Commissioner for South Yorkshire to require him to resign following the return of verdicts in the renewed Hillsborough Inquiry. This was the first consideration by a Court of the nature and extent of the new power conferred on Police and Crime Commissioners by s. 11 of the Police and Social Responsibility Act 2011.

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R (Mandic-Bozic) v UK Council for Psychotherapists

Acted for the Defendant in judicial review proceedings brought by a registrant in relation to disciplinary proceedings. Permission was granted, but the case then settled favourably.

Skyscanner v Competition and Markets Authority

[2014] CAT 16

Acted for the interested party, Intercontinental Hotel Group Ltd, in an appeal brought by Skyscanner under s. 47(1)(c) of the Competition Act 1998 relating to the CMA's decision to accept commitments from parties under investigation. Led by Tim Ward QC of Monckton Chambers.

Thomas v Transport for London

Acts for the Claimant in a judicial review of TfL's decision to require taxi drivers to accept card payment while prohibiting them from recovering transaction charges by means of a surcharge.

DHL v Ofcom

Acted with Dinah Rose defending a claim judicial review brought by DHL concerning the question whether courier companies such as DHL were "postal operators", and as such subject to Ofcom's regulation. The claim was dismissed.

Gibraltar Betting and Gaming Association v HM Treasury

[2015] EWHC 1863

Acted with Dinah Rose QC and Brian Kennelly for the Claimant in a judicial review of the government's decision to impose place-of-consumption taxation on providers of online gambling services located in Gibraltar. The Claimants were successful in obtaining an order for reference to the CJEU on a preliminary issue.

R (Good Thinking) v Liverpool Clinical Commissioning Group

Acted for the Good Thinking Society in a judicial review of the LCCG's decision to continue to commission homeopathy on the NHS. The defendant agreed to reconsider the decision and the claim was compromised on that basis.

Gibraltar Betting and Gaming Association v Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport

[2014] EWHC 3236

Acted with Dinah Rose QC and Brian Kennelly for the Claimant in a judicial review of DCMS's decision to introduce a new licensing regime for online gambling.

GRW Engineering (UK) Ltd v Secretary of State for Transport

Acted with Shaheed Fatima for the Claimant in a judicial review of a decision relating to the safety of oil tankers manufactured in South Africa. The claim was compromised, and Jess continues to advise the Claimant on related and consequential matters.

William Hill v Horserace Betting Levy Board

[2013] EWCA Civ 487

Acted with Dinah Rose QC for the Claimant in an appeal to the Court of Appeal against a decision concerning the applicability of the Horserace Betting Levy to the operators of betting exchanges.

Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary

Advised HMIC in relation to inspections relating to police corruption and to the investigation of deaths at the hands of the state during the Troubles in Northern Ireland.

Project Apple

Together with Pushpinder Saini QC, advised Ofcom in relation to its assessment of whether B Sky B remained fit and proper to hold a broadcasting licence following the phone hacking scandal at News of the World.

R (Greatwood) v London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham

Acted, with Emma Dixon and Dinah Rose QC, for the interested party in a judicial review claim relating to the development of Earls Court. The claim was ultimately withdrawn.

Rewrie v Chartered Institute of Management Accountants

Acted for the Defendant in internal appeal proceedings against CIMA's decision to exclude the Appellant from membership.

Competition

Jess appears in CAT and High Court competition and competition-related disputes. She has considerable expertise in disputes relating to competition regulation and also undertakes substantive competition infringement and follow-on damages claims. She is currently acting for a claimant in the Second Wave of follow-on litigation arising from competition infringements by trucks manufacturers.

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Cases

Roberts v Severn Trent United Utilities and others

Jess acts for Ofwat as intervenor in a collective competition damages action brought on behalf of water and sewerage service customers, alleging abuse of dominance by a number of water and sewerage undertakers in relation to the reporting of wastewater discharges.

Trucks

Jess leads the team for one of the claimants in large-scale follow-on damages litigation arising out of the Commission's decision in relation to a cartel between truck manufacturers.

Pfizer and Flynn Pharma v Competition and Markets Authority

Appeared for Ofcom in appeal to the Supreme Court by pharmaceutical companies concerning the rule applicable in the Competition Appeal Tribunal in relation to regulators' costs.

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JPMorgan v European Commission

Jess acts as junior counsel for JPMorgan in proceedings to annul the European Commission's finding that it participated in manipulation of the EURIBOR and EONIA benchmark interest rates in breach of competition law.

5G Spectrum

Act for Ofcom in judicial review proceedings concerning the forthcoming auction for 5G spectrum. Defending claims by EE/BT and H3G. .

HCA International Ltd v Competition and Markets Authority

Acted as junior counsel for the Claimant, HCA, in an appeal brought under section 179 of the Enterprise Act against the CMA's decision requiring HCA to divest itself of two hospitals. Led by Dinah Rose QC.

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X Plc v Y Limited

Acted with Alan Maclean QC in a dispute relating to alleged abuse of dominance in the provision of multiplex services to broadcasters of adult entertainment. The potential high court proceedings were compromised before issue.

British Sky Broadcasting Ltd v Office of Communications

[2014] EWCA Civ 133

Acted as junior counsel for Ofcom in a successful appeal against the CAT's decision allowing Sky's appeal against Ofcom's Pay TV Statement.

British Telecommunication Plc v Competition Commission

[2013] EWCA Civ 154

Acted as junior to Brian Kennelly in an appeal from the CAT to the Court of Appeal relating to a price control set by Ofcom.

4G Auction

Advised Ofcom in relation to the auction of 4G spectrum held in February 2013.

British Sky Broadcasting Ltd v Ofcom

[2016] CAT 25

Acted as junior counsel for Ofcom successfully defending an appeal by BT against Ofcom's decision not to impose a WMO licence condition in Sky's licence. There was a 2-week hearing of BT's appeal in the CAT in October 2016.

Media & Entertainment

Jess has considerable expertise in broadcasting regulation and in disputes relating to Article 10 ECHR and freedom of expression. She has acted in a number of Article 10 cases before the European Court of Human Rights. She is regularly instructed by Ofcom and has defended judicial reviews brought by the Russian and Chinese state broadcasters among others. She advises and acts in a wide range of other entertainment-related matters, including invasion of privacy, defamation, licensing and the national lottery and the regulation of pornography and gambling.

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Broadcasting Act requirements

Advised with Pushpinder Saini QC on the application of requirements in the Broadcasting Act concerning the use by the BBC of "independent producers" and prohibiting the grant of TLCS licences to "advertising agencies".

Virtual Currency

Recently advised as to the application of gambling laws to platforms that enable gaming using "virtual currency" of the sort generated and used in the context of computer games.

Gibraltar Betting and Gaming Association v HM Treasury

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National Lottery

Advised Camelot Group, the operator of the National Lottery, in relation to a number of issues concerning the payment of prizes.

Project Apple

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GN v DMOL

Advised a producer of adult broadcast material in relation to potential complaints against its regulator.

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Hoppr Entertainment Ltd v Ofcom

Acted for Ofcom in a proposed judicial review brought by a broadcaster of adult entertainment programmes. Permission to seek judicial review denied on the papers.

Brierley v Ofcom

Acted for Ofcom in a proposed judicial review brought in relation to the Channel 4 programme Embarrassing Bodies with reference to the Broadcasting Code.

BBC

Has advised the BBC on a number of issues relating to TV licensing.

Telecommunications

Jess has considerable experience of telecomms regulation and is regularly instructed by Ofcom, the Phonepaid Services Authority and industry parties. She has acted for Ofcom in major judicial reviews relating to spectrum auctioning and licence fees, has advised on complex regulatory issues concerning premium rate services and internet regulation, and appeared in a number of cases in the Competition Appeal Tribunal relating to the telecomms regulation.

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Jess has acted in a number of high-profile human rights cases, including cases in the Supreme Court relating to Article 1 of the First Protocol, the status of evidence that may have been obtained by torture, and Article 10. She has particular expertise in matters that fall in the intersection of media regulation and freedom of expression, and is currently acting in a number of Strasbourg cases concerning Article 10. She also has expertise in privacy/Article 8 and discrimination issues, including the application of the Public Sector Equality Duties. In the past, she acted in challenges arising out of the detention of British nationals and residents in Guantanamo Bay, and claims brought by both Iraqi nationals and British soldiers relating to the activities of the British military in Iraq.

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Big Brother Watch

App. No. 58170/13

Acted for the Law Society, intervening in an application to the ECtHR by a number of NGOs claiming that the UK's regime for the interception of communications is contrary to Article 8 ECHR, following the Snowden revelations.

Shagang Shipping Company Ltd v HNA Group Company Ltd

[2018] EWCA Civ 1732

Acting for HNA Group in a claim under a guarantee relating to a charterparty which raised issues relating to torture and bribery. The Court of Appeal has allowed HNA's appeal and remitted the case to the commercial court. Shagang has sought permission to appeal to the Supreme Court. Led by Michael Fordham QC of Blackstone and Joe Smouha QC of Essex Court Chambers.

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R (Idira) v Secretary of State for the Home Department

Advised Bail for Immigration Detainees on potential intervention in and supply of evidence to the Claimant concerning the Home Office's policy of accommodating time-served foreign national offenders in the prison rather than immigration system.

R (Al Saadoon & Ors) v Secretary of State for Defence

Acted as junior to Mike Fordham QC in claims for judicial review brought by more than 160 Iraqi civilians against the Ministry of Defence in relation to their ill treatment by British forces in Iraq.

R (Wamala) v Secretary of State for the Home Office

Acted as sole counsel for the Claimant in a judicial review of UKBA's decision to remove a failed asylum seeker while he has civil proceedings pending against UKBA. The claim settled.

R (Long) v Secretary of State for Defence

Acted as junior counsel in a judicial review of the MOD's refusal to conduct an independent investigation into the deaths of British soldiers in Iraq.

R (Marrache) v Judicial Services Commission

Acted with Dinah Rose QC for the JSC in two sets of judicial review proceedings brought by the Marrache brothers relating, among other things to allegations of bias among the judiciary in Gibraltar. The claims settled.

Mubanga v Security Service & Ors

Acted as junior to Michael Fordham QC for one of the appellants, Martin Mubanga, in claims brought by former detainees of Guantanamo Bay against various British Government departments. The claims ultimately settled.

Professional Discipline

Jess has advised or acted in relation to matters of professional discipline arising out of decisions of the FSA/FCA, the General Medical Council, the General Teaching Council, the Renewable Energy Consumer Code and the PSA Code of Practice.

“Calm and measured; she gets right to the heart of a question”

– LEGAL 500, 2016

Cases

Renewable Energy Consumer Code

Regularly acts as a legal assessor for the disciplinary panel of REAL, which administers the Renewable Energy Consumer Code.

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Prasad v General Medical Council

Acted for the General Medical Council in an appeal against sanction brought by the practitioner under s. 40 of the Medical Act 1983.

Rewrie v Chartered Institute of Management Accountants

Acted for the Defendant in internal appeal proceedings against CIMA's decision to exclude the Appellant from membership.

Dina v General Medical Council

Acted for the GMC in an appeal against sanction brought by the practitioner under s. 40 of the Medical Act 1983.

General Medical Council v Nakhla

Acted with Alan Maclean QC in the GMC's successful appeal to the Court of Appeal against a decision of HHJ Faber sitting in the County Court relating to the criteria for entry onto the Specialist Register.

FSA v Davies

Acted with Andrew Green QC for an individual in disciplinary proceedings brought against him by the FSA.

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ACHIEVEMENTS

Education

MA Hons (Cantab), Philosophy, (Double Starred First); PhD, Philosophy, Princeton University; Diploma in Law, City University, (Distinction); Bar Vocational Course, Inns of Court School of Law, (Outstanding)

Scholarships and Prizes:

- College Scholarship (Clare College, Cambridge)
- Greene Cup for General Learning (Clare College, Cambridge)
- Kennedy Scholarship (Harvard University)
- Graduate Prize Fellowship at the Centre for Human Values (Princeton University)
- Princess Royal Scholarship (CPE year) (Inner Temple)
- Peter Taylor Scholarship (BVC year) (Inner Temple)

Selected earlier reported cases

Public & Regulatory

- Brough v Law [2011] EWCA Civ 1183
- R (Law Society of England and Wales) v The Lord Chancellor [2010] EWHC 1406
- R (March) v Secretary of State for Health [2010] EWHC 765
- R (Equitable Members Action Group) v HM Treasury [2009] EWHC 2495

Civil Liberties & Human Rights

- Al Rawi & Ors v Security Service & Ors [2010] EWCA Civ 482
- Darrell v Board of Inquiry

Professional Discipline

- GTC v Christopher Raymond, July 2011

VAT registration number: 447008068

Barristers regulated by the Bar Standards Board