

**DAVID BOYLE**

**MA (Cantab), Churchill College, Cambridge, (Law)**

**Barrister**

**Head of Travel Law Team, Qualified Pupil Supervisor**

**Member of Bar Standards Board Advisory Pool of Experts (APEX)**

**Accredited Civil and Commercial Mediator**



**Mediation Qualifications and Awards**

1. David is an accredited Civil and Commercial mediator, having trained with Emma McAndry in 2020.

**Professional Experience**

1. After taking A-levels in Maths, Chemistry and Physics at Manchester Grammar School (1983-1990), David read Law at Churchill College, Cambridge (1991-1994), before taking his Bar Vocational Course at the Inns of Court School of Law (1994-1995). He was awarded a scholarship by Gray's Inn and was called to the Bar in March 1996.
2. David started as a pupil barrister at Deans Court Chambers in September 1995 under the primary supervision of Craig Sephton (now HHJ Craig Sephton QC), observing personal injury, professional negligence and commercial litigation, before being exposed to criminal advocacy with *inter alia* Stuart Denney (now Stuart Denney QC), and family work with *inter alia* Louise Bancroft (now HHJ Bancroft).
3. Melding the tact and client care from his family experience, the robust advocacy from his criminal work, and the careful analysis and commercial nous of his civil pupillage, David swiftly established himself as a highly regarded personal injury, clinical negligence, and insurance fraud barrister and now has over 25 years' experience of all aspects of civil litigation.
4. David represents claimants and defendants in equal measure across a whole range of civil disputes, most particularly personal injury and clinical negligence claims, and has substantial experience of mediation as an advocate. His expertise extends from fatal accidents and accidents of the utmost severity, through to assault and sexual assault claims, to industrial disease, allegations of fraud and accidents abroad. He is well-known as the first port of call for non-standard cases requiring innovative and practical solutions. He has a raft of experience in the High Court and the Court of Appeal but is just as happy solving day-to-day problems in day-to-day situations.
5. Whilst David has represented high profile clients and national and international corporations, the majority of his clients are very normal people, and he remains

committed to ensuring that they understand their cases, allowing them to make properly informed decisions.

6. David was Head of Mini-Pupillage at Deans Court Chambers from 2010 to 2016 and has taken 3 formal pupils (Helen Rutherford (2010), Gareth Poole (2015) and Joe Price (2019)), 4 informal pupils, 18 mentees and 1,200 mini-pupils over the last 25 years, habitually explaining the nuances of the law in practice in straight-forward, pragmatic ways that clients, opponents and judges understand and appreciate.
7. He is a regular guest lecturer at the undergraduate and postgraduate level, speaking on a raft of topics including problem-solving, expert evidence, and drivers of behaviour. His recent student speaking engagements have included Durham University, the University of Lancaster, Liverpool John Moores University, Sheffield Hallam University, The Open University and the University of Dehradun, Uttaranchal (where his Zoom lecture on Alternative Dispute Resolution attracted 645 attendees), whilst his professional lectures have included The Grange Conference, Liverpool Law Society, and bespoke in-house teaching for medico-legal experts.
8. He has written 3 books: On Experts (2016), An Introduction to Personal Injury Law (2017), and The Mini-Pupillage Handbook (2019), and is currently working on 3 more, including a book on Clear Thinking.
9. In 2019, he was the first Civil practitioner appointed to the Bar Standard Board's Advisory Pool of Experts, advising them (as necessary) on the standards to be expected of civil barristers.

### Mediation Experience

10. In 2020, David decided to expand his practice to encompass mediation work alongside his work as a barrister, conscious that his broad knowledge and skillset might reasonably be brought to bear as a catalyst to assist in the resolution of disputes without recourse to litigation.

### David's Rating

David has been recognised in the professional directories for over 15 years. Tellingly, his entries often speak of how he deals with people, rather than simply talk about his legal expertise:

“Approachable, authoritative and very strong on paper.” (Chambers & Partners, 2019)

“He has a wonderful ability to put clients at ease” (Legal 500, 2018),

“He is very client-focused and provides clear and commercial advice.” (Chambers & Partners, 2021)

“Provides tactically astute, detailed advice and can convey this simply.” (Legal 500, 2015)



“Extremely practical, often coming up with solutions that make a real difference to clients’ lives” (Chambers & Partners, 2019).

“Attention to detail is a major strength of his. He is a very effective advocate.” (Legal 500, 2021)

“David is very down to earth and approachable. His ability to explain complex matters thoroughly is a real asset” (Chambers & Partners, 2020).