



In joining the civil team with an emphasis on employment, discrimination and prison law, Shereener is returning to the interests that drove her desire to join the Bar back in 1996. As a pupil at the civil liberties set of **Sibghat Kadri QC**, Shereener undertook her first hearings in what was then the Industrial Tribunal. Before pupillage Shereener was research assistant to **Tim Owen** helping him with the second edition of his popular book on prison law.

The next 10 to 12 years saw Shereener specialising in criminal defence. Shereener single-handedly developed a successful practice. Before leaving to have her third child, Shereener appeared in crown courts across the country defending those charged with serious offences ranging from conspiracy to rob and possession of firearms to conspiracy to murder and attempted murder. Click here to see Shereener's profile when a member of the crime team.

Shereener's appointment as Chambers' Equal Opportunities Officer in 2007 renewed her interest in employment and discrimination law. She was in this post for three years and attended a number of courses to assist her in this role.

Shereener returns to chambers after undertaking a three month placement with **Leigh Day & Co** solicitors within their Human Rights department working closely with Camilla Palmer a specialist in employment discrimination law. Whilst working with Camilla, Shereener assisted in the high profile case of **Miriam O'Reilly v BBC**.

Shereener's combination of advocacy skills honed over 12 years at the criminal Bar; her knowledge of employment and discrimination law gained whilst EOO to chambers and during her placement with Leigh Day & Co makes her a formidable adversary on the side of the claimant.

Shereener is committed to access to justice and is regularly instructed by the Bar Pro Bono Unit.

## Recent/Noteable cases

- **MCKay v DWP**: Two week full hearing on behalf of claimant bringing claims under DDA.
- **Eames v Forensic Science Service**: Legal argument at PHR on meaning of "obligatory period" in **s136 ERA 1996**.
- **Johnson v Boston Mayflower Housing Assoc.**: Covert surveillance of an employee. Whether article 8 ECHR engaged and whether surveillance amounted to a breach of the implied term of trust and confidence.
- **Akintola v West Coast Trains**: Whether employee fairly dismissed in circumstances where his work visa had expired but he had made an application to extend the visa before it expired.
- **CLC solicitors v Methuen**: Legal argument before the EAT on strike out of discrimination claims. Click here to read a report of this case in the Law Society Gazette.

## Publications and Appearances

- Editor along with David Renton of Chambers' Employment Law Bulletin, published fortnightly. Click here to download past editions.
- Contributor to "**The Human Rights Act 1998: A Practical Guide**" edited

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### Education

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### Practice Areas:

Shereener Browne is a member of the following Practice Areas:

- Civil Law
- Employment, Discrimination and Professional Regulation
- Mental Health
- Prison Law

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by Ramby De Mello and published by Jordans.

- **"The Lawrence inquiry and institutionalised racism - what is their relevance to the legal profession"** appeared in the August 1999 edition of Counsel magazine.
- Contributor to **"Human Rights in the Investigation and Prosecution of Crime"** published by Oxford University Press.
- Shereener wrote a blog for the Bar Council website. [Click here](#) to read her previous posts on the blog.
- Shereener has also appeared on **BBC London News** and has been quoted on **BBC News Online**, the **New Law Journal** and the Sunday Times.

## Membership

Employment Lawyers Association  
Employment Law Bar Association

Discrimination Lawyers Association

## Community Work

Shereener was a mentor for two years with the **Southwark Black Mentor Scheme**, a scheme designed to encourage young black people aged between 14 and 15 to go onto further education. Shereener has in the past taken part in careers talks at **South Bank University** from where she graduated in 1995. She welcomes requests to talk to young people attending schools in economically deprived areas about pursuing a career in law.

## Other

Shereener is a advocacy teacher for the Inner Temple.

## Pastimes

Shereener is a keen cyclist, cycling to and from court where possible. She recently completed the London Duathlon raising funds for charity. She also enjoys portrait painting and singing jazz with Chambers' band "Shereener & the Bay Leaves".