

12 King's Bench Walk Supporting the Bar Council's Social Mobility initiative



In July 2018 12KBW hosted 11 Tottenham primary school children in connection with the Bar Council's recent *I am the Bar* campaign, raising the profile of social mobility and supporting fair access to the Bar.

The Bar Council aims to use the *I am the Bar* initiative to "... dispel any myths or preconceptions that, to succeed as barrister, you must fit a certain profile or come from a particular background. These non-traditional stories [and personal quotes] help to exemplify a common vision of an accessible, diverse and truly representative Bar".

Martina Murphy of 12KBW also took the children to visit the Hon. Mr Justice Choudhury who took the time to speak to the children about a career in law, and show them around the court he was sitting in at the time. The Hon. Mr Justice Choudhury was called to the Bar in 1992, and in 2017 became the first British person of Bangladeshi origin to have been appointed as a Justice of the High Court of England and Wales.

12KBW's barristers regularly do legal careers talks and practical advocacy exercises for secondary school students, as well as taking on the occasional Key Stage 4 student from disadvantaged areas for work experience.

If you would like to read more about 12KBW's equality and diversity code, please contact chambers@12kbw.co.uk.