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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, Clinical Negligence, Civil Procedure, Employment & Discrimination, Inquests, Property, International & Travel

Achas enjoys a varied practice in all of 12KBW's core areas. She is keen to tackle research on complex points, including procedural ones and those involving a crossover between different spheres of law.

She acted as a junior in *Coventry v Lawrence (No. 3) [2015] UKSC 50*, the landmark Supreme Court case concerning whether the costs regime under the Access to Justice Act 1999 complied with human rights law.

She is presently instructed in *X v Kuoni Travel [2019] C-578/19*, which is currently the subject of a preliminary reference before the Court of Justice of the European Union, alongside William Audland QC and Nina Ross.

Employment & Discrimination

Achas maintains a broad interest in all aspects of employment law, including the crossover between tort and employment law. She has been instructed as a junior to draft an application to strike out a high-value claim against an investment bank, has drafted pleadings and appeared in the Tribunal in discrimination/dismissal cases, and advised generally in employment and contractual disputes.

Achas has also appeared in professional regulatory proceedings before the Nursing and Midwifery Council, and is presently instructed on appeal in the High Court.

Qualifications & Awards

BCL (with distinction), University of Oxford

- Full AHRC scholarship

Prizes for:

- Medical Law and Ethics;
- Comparative Human Rights.

BPTC (Outstanding), BPP Law School

- Lord Denning Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn

LLB (Hons) Law (first class), University of Leeds

Prizes:

- Hughes Scholar Prize for Outstanding Graduate;
- Hughes Extended Essay Prize for best dissertation;
- BPP Prize for Torts;
- Margaret Simpson Harrison Prize in Equity & Trusts;
- OUP Prize in Child Law;
- Ford & Warren Prize for top marks in the first year;
- Routledge-Grant Prize for top marks in the first year

Publications

- 'A "right not to be offended" under Article 10(2)? – Concerns in the construction of the "rights of others."' [2012] European Human Rights Law Review 193
- Cited by the High Court of Australia in *Monis v the Queen* [2013] HCA 4
- 'What does it mean to suffer loss?' (2014) 77(6) Modern Law Review 994
- 'Beyond pragmatism: defending the "bright line" of birth' (2014) 22(4) Medical Law Review 494
- 'Case comment: *Reaney v Staffordshire NHS Trust* – clinical negligence – causation' (2014) 130 Personal Injury Law Journal 22
- '*Coventry v Lawrence*: the unbearable burden of one's wrongdoing' (2015) 34(4) Civil Justice Quarterly 303
- 'The Positive Duty of Prevention in the common law and the Convention' (2020) Legal Studies (forthcoming)