

EMMA HUGHES



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About

Before starting her pupillage, Emma Hughes gained extensive experience working in the Public Family Law department at a leading London law firm. Her work focused primarily on care proceedings involving serious issues such as non-accidental injury, domestic abuse, sexual abuse, neglect, forced marriage, and radicalisation. Emma was awarded both an Access to the Bar Award and a Jules Thorn Scholarship from Middle Temple, which significantly supported her journey to the Bar.

Emma plays a pivotal role in promoting diversity and inclusion at the Bar. She is the Head of the Mentoring Programme at <u>Bridging the Bar (BTB)</u>, a charity committed to increasing diversity within the legal profession. Through mentorship, mini-pupillages, advocacy training, internships, marshalling, and other initiatives, BTB creates opportunities for individuals from underrepresented backgrounds.

Emma is an active member of the <u>Bar Council's Race Working Group</u>, which published the <u>Race Report 2021</u>, addressing racial inequalities at the Bar and putting forward recommendations for systemic change.

Currently, Emma serves as the Vice President of the <u>Middle Temple Young Barristers' Association</u> (MTYBA). Previously, she was MTYBA's Diversity and Inclusion Officer for two years, during which she wrote a notable article on <u>Black Lives Matter</u>. As President of the Middle Temple Student Association (MTSA) in 2018, Emma organized and hosted the first-ever <u>Black History Month Qualifying Session</u>, now an annual tradition.

Education

University of West London – LLB (2017) BPP Law School – BPTC LLM (2018)

Memberships

The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple

Middle Temple Young Barristers Association (MTYBA)

Family Law Bar Association

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