

SOUTH SQUARE CHAMBERS

THE 2024 CHAMBERS PRO BONO FRAMEWORK REPORT

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Chambers signed up to The Chambers Pro Bono Framework in 2024



25%

On average, 25% of members from participating chambers engaged in pro bono work



<u>advocate</u>

617

Barristers appeared in The 2025 Pro Bono Recognition List of England and Wales



South Square Chambers' Pro Bono Work in 2024

35% of our members took on pro bono work in 2024

Our members completed pro bono work through Advocate and other schemes

Barristers who have completed pro bono work with Advocate

Madeleine Jones Rabin Kok

Rory Brown Toby Brown

Barristers from South Square Chambers who appear on the 2025 Pro Bono Recognition List

Adam Al-Attar KC
David Alexander KC
Georgina Peters
Imogen Beltrami
Madeleine Jones

Marcus Haywood
Paul Fradley
Rabin Kok
Toby Brown
William Wilson

Pro Bono Champion

Toby Brown



Chambers in England and Wales

This chart compares the percentage of barristers in each chambers that take part in pro bono work in sets of a similar size nationwide. It offers a comparison of where South Square Chambers' work falls in relation to other sets of 50-100 members.





*The data received from other sets has been anonymised.

South Square Chambers have reported that 35% of barristers completed pro bono work in 2024



Pro Bono in Action

One of our members completed pro bono work at mediation. We were able to secure a confidential settlement for a claimant who brought claims against a consumer lender for credit history misreporting spanning 6+ years. Following the commencement of High Court proceedings and a 1-day mediation, the defendant settled for a six-figure sum after having previously offered a settlement figure in the low hundreds at the outset of the case.



One of our members advised in related bankruptcy proceedings against the claimant.





Pro Bono in Action

One of our members assisted a claimant who had a claim against her late father's estate for a breach of trust declared over a family property. Following a County Court Money Claims Centre hearing and the issuance of a summary judgment application, the other party made a settlement offer to pay the entire value of the claim sought. A settlement agreement and consent order have been signed, which will end proceedings and give the claimant an enforceable judgment for a substantial sum, bringing an end to a long-running family dispute.







Thank you South Square Chambers for participating in

The Chambers Pro Bono Framework 2024

Appointed a Pro Bono Champion
Actioned pro bono work
Organised a seminar
Reported on the pro bono work completed

We extend our sincere thanks to the members and staff of South Square Chambers for their unwavering support of Advocate and access to justice. We could not continue to operate without all you do.

"...you give the less fortunate a voice in the world and in the legal system. You should all be proud in touching the lives of many when they need help. You help make our bit of the world a better place. You certainly have made our small bit of the world better by your involvement." - Advocate applicant



Annex

The Chambers Pro Bono Framework (The Framework) is an opportunity for all chambers in England and Wales to establish their commitment to undertaking pro bono work and improving access to justice.

As the Bar's national pro bono charity, Advocate wants to make it possible for every chambers to be part of the solution and to help us address the growing number of people in desperate need of legal assistance, who cannot obtain legal aid or afford to pay.

The Framework provides the opportunity to strengthen and highlight the pro bono ethos of your chambers and makes it possible for everyone, both barristers and staff, to contribute.

By signing up to The Framework, chambers commit to four actions within a calendar year, these are:

- (1) Appoint Pro Bono Champions
- (2) Action pro bono work as a chambers
 - (3) Organise a seminar on pro bono
 - (4) Report on the pro bono done

The data used in this report was obtained through self-reporting from Chambers in England and Wales who participated in the 2024 Framework.

Information was also gathered from The Pro Bono Recognition List.

