



Barrister

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Specialist in  
Personal Immigration  
Business Immigration  
Public Law  
Civil Law  
Civil Actions Against Public Authorities  
Modern Slavery & Trafficking Team  
Specialist Family & Immigration Team

## Experience

Matthew practises in asylum, immigration, human rights and public law. In addition to specialising in European Union law and human trafficking, he has a strong background in asylum, deportation and human rights appeals. He has developed a wealth of experience working with unaccompanied children, other vulnerable clients and article 8 cases, including representing former Gurkha servicemen and their families.

One of Matthew's previous roles, as in-house barrister and legal project manager at the AIRE Centre, involved developing and bringing strategic litigation and interventions to the Court of Appeal, Supreme Court and Court of Justice of the European Union.

An example is the successful intervention in *Saint Prix v Secretary of State for Work and Pensions* [2014] EUECJ C-507/12, in which the CJEU confirmed that EEA national women who give up work due to the physical constraints of pregnancy and childbirth remain 'workers' under Article 45 TFEU. Matthew is an honorary fellow at Sussex University in recognition of his pro bono work with the Law School's Migration Law Clinic, supervising students in the provision of free legal advice to lay clients.

He also volunteers with the UK Lesbian & Gay Immigration Group.

In his spare time, Matthew is a qualified football coach, bravely navigating his son's team through the trials and tribulations of their fledgling careers as international superstars.

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## What the directories say

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"Extremely good and very experienced in EU immigration work and ECHR issues."

"He has a reputation for being empathetic."

"Great with clients and has a huge wealth of experience."

## Education

College of Law, London – 2008 to 2010 (part time)

BVC – awarded very competent

Kings College, London – 2001 to 2002

LLM [Masters in Law, specialising in human rights law] – awarded with merit

Kings College, London – 1998 to 2001

LLB [Bachelor of Law] – awarded 2:1

# Memberships

ILPA

## CASES

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### HD (Trafficked women) Nigeria (CG)

[2016] UKUT 454 (IAC)

Matthew was led by Kathryn Cronin QC in this Country Guidance case for victims of trafficking, which recognises the need for a holistic and fact-sensitive analysis of each victim's vulnerabilities.

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### Mirga and Samin v Secretary of State for Work and Pensions & Anor

[2016] UKSC 1

Led by Charles Banner QC, in an intervention regarding EU law residence rights and fundamental human rights of EU citizens.

<https://www.bailii.org/uk/cases/UKSC/2016/1.html>

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### Sanneh & Ors v Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

[2015] EWCA Civ 49

Led by Charles Banner QC in an intervention regarding the question whether "Zambrano carers", who are non-EU citizens responsible for the care of an EU citizen child, are entitled to social assistance on the same basis as EU citizens lawfully resident here.

<https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWCA/Civ/2015/49.html>

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## Saint Prix v SSWP

[2014] EUECJ C-507/12

Led by Jemima Stratford QC in an AIRE Centre intervention, in which the CJEU confirmed that Article 45 of TFEU must be interpreted as meaning that a woman who gives up work, or seeking work, because of the physical constraints of the late stages of pregnancy and the aftermath of childbirth retains the status of 'worker', within the meaning of that article, provided she returns to work or finds another job within a reasonable period after the birth of her child.

<https://www.bailii.org/eu/cases/EUECJ/2014/C50712.html>

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## PUBLICATIONS

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### Counting the True Costs of Section 87 of the Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2015 Judicial Review, 20:3, 147-151, DOI:10.1080/10854681.2015.1073044

Looking at changes to the costs regime for JR interventions, introduced by the Criminal Justice and Courts Act 2015, which risk dissuading NGOs from intervening in judicial review cases by significantly increasing the risks for such interventions.

Area of Law:

Prison LawJudicial Review

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