

3 HARE COURT

Anna Lancy's Pupillage insight

Unusually, I started my pupillage having recently found out I was pregnant with my second child. I was nervous as to how 3 Hare Court might take the news. Many sleepless nights later I mustered the courage to speak to the head of pupillage about my situation. I could not have asked for a warmer reception.

Pupillage has been a challenging and rewarding experience. I remember feeling enthusiastically out of my depth during my first seat, but realised upon completion how much I had learnt and developed in such a short period. I could see the more I put into my work and my supervisor the more I got in return. This was also reflected in the feedback I received.

Whilst very often you will be asked to find an answer that the top Silks or other members of Chambers don't know, slowly with the assistance of other members you learn the process of approaching an issue and how to avoid getting stuck down rabbit holes.

Essential to my development was the support from the pupils of the previous year and the junior barristers. Any small silly or complex problem, they will have the answer or can point you in the right direction. They will generally set up a group for you to put any queries to them. This was invaluable.

During your first six there are many opportunities for you to shadow your supervisor in court. While sometimes you are asked to assist on the matter, very often you are there just to learn and better understand the craft of advocacy. This is one the best aspects of pupillage at 3 Hare Court because we have such a diverse pool of barristers who specialise in many interesting areas of law. Very often your supervisor will organise for you to sit with another member of chambers when an exciting matter is on.

3 Hare Court members and clerks are a supportive and open minded set. The members and clerks want to ensure pupils enjoy their time and find work that interests them. Don't forget this.



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