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Joseph Hudson

Call: 2018

## Crime

Joe specialises in criminal law and enjoys a busy practice in the Crown Court at venues across the North Eastern Circuit. He continues to achieve success in his burgeoning trial practice, with recent trials including a group robbery and weapons offence. As a CPS Grade 2 prosecutor, Joe is known for his incisive analysis and relatable personality. He regularly deals with voluminous and complex legal matters at short notice, whilst maintaining an exceptional service and achieving the best possible outcome for clients.

Joe has acquired an acute expertise in the field of disclosure in criminal trials through his appointment as Disclosure Junior to leading silks in high-profile murder, Class A drugs conspiracy and non-recent grooming cases. When prosecuting, he ensures a watertight and unimpeachable approach to disclosure; when defending, he exposes those whose approach is less meticulous than his own.

Joe recently completed a three-month secondment at CPS Yorkshire and Humberside, during which he gained invaluable insight into the processes of the police and CPS. Joe brings to cases a maturity and holistic understanding of the criminal justice system, which he deploys to the advantage of his clients.

Joe regularly deals with the most sensitive and serious matters in the Youth and Magistrates' Courts, including sexual and violent offences. More specifically, he has written articles and delivered seminars on the intricacies of road traffic offences and retains a particular interest in defending in such cases.

Prior to his career at the Bar, Joe worked as a legal researcher for Solomonic, a start-up data company, and as a Gateway Assessor at Chapeltown Citizens Advice Bureau. Joe combines his fine legal acumen with his grounding in the local community, having attended Roundhay High School, to provide a comprehensive service to clients.

Joe has a solid academic background, having studied Law at Cambridge, French Law in Poitiers and receiving numerous prizes and scholarships on his way to finishing top of his year on the BPTC and receiving a Distinction in his LLM.

## Notable cases:

R v M – prosecution in the trial of the defendant for involvement in a group robbery of a



### Education:

2016 - Université de Poitiers  
- Certificate in French Law

2017 - Selwyn College,  
University of Cambridge - BA  
(Hons) Law

2018 - BPP Law School -  
LLM Legal Practice (including  
BPTC) - Distinction  
(Outstanding)

### Career:

2018 - Pupil at Park Square  
Barristers, Leeds

2019 - Level 1 prosecutor

2019 - Tenant at PSQB

2019 - Level 2 prosecutor

2020 - 3 month Barrister  
secondment at CPS  
Yorkshire & Humberside

### Awards:

2017 - BPTC Advocacy  
Scholarship, BPP

2017 - ADR Competition  
Winner, St Philips Chambers

2017 - Tancred Studentship,  
Lincoln's Inn

2017 - Hardwicke Entrance  
Award, Lincoln's Inn

2018 - Sunley Pupillage  
Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn

2018 - BPTC Professional  
Discipline Prize, BPP

2018 - BPTC Munkman Prize

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vulnerable youth.

R v Stanton and Mackay – Disclosure Junior to Peter Moulson QC in a home invasion murder trial, in which the Defendants were sentenced to life imprisonment with respective minimum terms of 25 and 23 years and reported nationally (<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-9052409/Two-career-criminals-murdered-61-year-old-man-torturing-death-jailed-life.html>).

R v BJ et al – Disclosure Junior in the prosecution of a large-scale Class A drugs conspiracy.

R v KM et al – Disclosure Junior in the prosecution of a large-scale grooming trial.

R v H – Defence at York Crown Court of a young man charged with possession of a bladed article; successfully proved the defence of good reason on the balance of probabilities.

R v W – Defence at York Crown Court for sentence of man charged with multiple counts of attempting to cause a child to engage in sexual activity; suspended sentence imposed – client avoided immediate custody.

for highest mark in Advocacy,  
Zenith Chambers

2018 - Award - North Eastern  
Circuit Prize for Excellence  
on the BPTC

## Contact Joseph's clerks

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Elaine Foster-Morgan on 0113 213 5217

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## Commercial & Chancery

Joe has a growing practice in these areas, having been involved in a broad range of both simple and complex applications in contractual disputes. He regularly receives instructions to complete written pieces of work either drafting advices or pleadings in commercial matters. Joe has an eye for detail which assists in efficient and incisive analysis of the intricacies of contracts.

Joe also has experience of insolvency proceedings, regularly accepting instructions to appear at Winding Up Petitions across the North of England.

Before coming to the Bar, Joe worked with a legal tech firm, conducting research into every case decided in the Tax and Chancery Chamber of the Upper Tribunal since its inception in 2009; this allowed great exposure to the intricacies of Chancery work.

## Contact Joseph's clerks

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## Personal Injury

Joe accepts instructions in a broad range of areas of civil and personal injury law. Joe has experience in complex Fast Track matters, as well as a depth of knowledge regarding procedure and substantive law relating to claims following RTAs; specifically, he regularly deals with the finer detail in credit hire claims and is aided in that by his comprehensive understanding of the case law in that area.

Joe has written advices and drafted pleadings in Employers' and Occupiers' Liability claims and continues to grow his strengths across the spectrum of personal injury claims. Joe responds in good time to instructions and can turn work around at short notice to meet tight deadlines, maintaining the high standard of work that he endeavours to produce at every opportunity.

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## Regulatory & Public

Joe is a member of the 'junior junior' panel for Government Legal Department barristers. Joe has experience in all matters which touch upon the work of the police, having spent much time on secondment at the Humberside Police and South Yorkshire Police legal departments. Moreover, Joe regularly appears at parole board hearings and is looking to grow his regulatory practice in all directions.

During the first six months of his pupillage, Joe was supervised by Robert Stevenson, who gave Joe tutelage in and exposure to many areas of regulatory work including inquests and Health and Safety prosecutions.

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