

## Sahana Jayakumar

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### Profile

Sahana joined Five Paper in April 2017 after successfully completing a third six pupillage. She is a member of both the Property and Commercial teams.

In January 2017, Sahana was seconded as in-house counsel to a specialist commercial and insolvency firm of solicitors.

Prior to joining Five Paper, Sahana completed her pupillage at a London chambers specialising in commercial, civil and aviation law. She has also worked as a paralegal and spent time in Paris as a stagiaire in the International Arbitration department of an international law firm, assisting with legal research, translation and drafting pleadings in a multibillion-euro construction arbitration.

### Description of Practice

#### *Property and Housing*

Sahana regularly appears for landlords and tenants in possession claims relating to mortgage arrears, rent arrears, anti-social behaviour, disrepair, succession and loss of security of tenure. She is also familiar with:

- Anti-social behaviour injunctions and committal proceedings.
- Equality Act 2010 defences.
- Proportionality and public law defences.
- Unlawful eviction and excluded tenancies under the Protection from Eviction Act 1977.
- Claims for forfeiture and applications for relief in both the High Court and County Court.
- Leasehold disputes involving claims for unpaid service charges and disrepair.
- Lease extensions under LRHUDA 1993.

#### *Commercial and Insolvency*

Sahana has experience of a range of commercial and insolvency matters, including:

- Interim procedural applications in the County Court and the Senior Courts Costs Office.
- Charging orders.
- Winding-up petitions in the Companies Court, acting for both petitioning creditors and companies.
- Small-claims trials of contractual disputes.
- Drafting statutory demands, bankruptcy petitions, creditors' winding up petitions and demand letters in debt recovery claims.
- Factoring agreements.
- Advice to liquidators regarding the recovery of company assets from the police.

## Qualifications

BPTC, BPP Law School, 2014.

BA Jurisprudence (Law with Law Studies in Europe) Christ Church, University of Oxford, 2012.

*Certificat Supérieur de Droit Français et Européen*, Université Paris II (Panthéon-Assas), 2011.

Sahana is an accredited commercial and civil mediator, having completed training with the ADR Group in June 2014.

## Scholarships and Prizes

Norman Tapp Memorial Prize for Excellence in Mooting, Gray's Inn, 2014.

Gray's Inn Internship Award, 2014.

## Publications

Contributor to the book "*Studies in European Construction Law*" published by the European Society of Construction Law, 2015.

## Languages

Fluent French

Elementary Spanish, Hindi and Kannada.