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Profile

Sahana has been a member of Five Paper since April 2017 following the successful completion of a third six pupillage. She is a member of both the Property and Commercial teams and is qualified to accept instructions on a public access basis.

In January 2018, Sahana was awarded a Pegasus Trust Scholarship to spend 3 months in Dubai in late 2018. She will spend her time marshalling in the DIFC courts and working with a renowned middle-eastern law firm, gaining experience of international commercial and property disputes.

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

Pegasus Trust Scholarship, 2018.

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.