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**Ruwena Khan**

**Barrister – Park Square Barristers, Leeds**

**Deputy District Judge – North Eastern Circuit**

**BPTC BPP Tutor – Leeds**

**Independent Mediator**

### **Background Information:**

I was born in Cheshire and studied at Altrincham Grammar School for Girls where I undertook A Levels in Maths, French, History and General Studies. I participated in as many extra-curricular activities as I could throughout my education including team sports, athletics, drama, music, debating, Model United Nations, mock trials, photography and magazine editing. Every individual and team pursuit gave me additional skills that I have found gave me a great grounding for the years ahead.

I studied Law in Manchester for three years and continued sporting and public speaking activities, such as Mooting, and was a mentor for younger students. I also became a Summer School Tutor, coaching students from under-privileged and non-legal backgrounds in preparation for a Criminal Mock Trial.

I attended the Inns of Court School of Law in London to study on the Bar Vocational Course (now known as the Bar Professional Training Course). I was a Volunteer with the Citizen's Advice Bureau at the Royal Courts of Justice and was on the Mooting Committee for the Inner Temple.

I undertook a common law Pupillage at Zenith Chambers in Leeds from 2005-2006, gaining an understanding of Family, Crime and Civil law before commencing my own practice. I now specialise in Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence law, spending time as both a trial advocate and advising in serious injury cases. I joined Park Square Barristers in 2020 and am on the Pupillage Committee.

I was appointed a Deputy District Judge in early 2019 and spend numerous days per month sitting predominantly in County Courts in South Yorkshire and the Humberside.

Since 2012 I have been teaching on the BPTC at the BPP in Leeds as a Freelance Tutor, teaching classes in Advocacy, Written Skills and Civil Litigation.

In 2020 I qualified as an IMI Mediator, accredited by Phoenix Dispute Solutions.

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Outside of the profession, I love yoga, running, hiking, Latin dance and, when energy allows, cycling! I have had a halting return to playing hockey. I am an avid reader and enjoy art classes working in all mediums, but particularly love watercolour painting. I am a cooking and baking enthusiast, but more importantly I love eating – good food, great company and I am supremely happy!

<b>Sectors worked in and routes taken:</b>	
<b>Education</b>	Altrincham Grammar School for Girls The University of Manchester - Law LLB (Hons) Inns of Court School of Law - Barrister-At-Law
<b>Legal Profession</b>	Barrister Deputy District Judge
<b>Other</b>	Mediator BPTC Freelance Tutor

<b>What I would like to get involved in: (please tick)</b>			
Inspirational Talk	Visits to my place of work	Mentoring / Coaching young people	Other (please state)
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