

4 Pump Court Pride Moot 2023

In support of Pride Month 2023, we held the final of our <u>award-winning</u> student Pride Moot in Chambers on Thursday 15th June. 4 Pump Court is committed to ensuring that equality and diversity is at the forefront of its operation, and we are proud to continue to support the message that diversity is important and valued at the commercial Bar.

Chambers was honoured to have Lady Justice Carr chair the judging panel for a second year on the day that her appointment to Lord Chief Justice was announced. Alongside her were Rachel Ansell KC and Richard Osborne of 4 Pump Court, Rebecca Williams of Watson Farley & Williams and Jessica Tresham of Womble Bond Dickinson (UK) LLP. The evening was compered and supported by Daniel Churcher, Elliott Cook and Matthew Thorne from 4 Pump Court.

Her Ladyship commented on the extremely high standard of advocacy from all four finalists: Olive Burchill FRSA, Luke Evans, Gabriella Cutts and Tomas Higginson, all of whom will be joining Chambers for mini pupillages. Many thanks to all who entered this year, and huge congratulations to the 2023 winners Gabriella and Tomas.

Her Ladyship comments:

"Following on from last year's success, the 2023 Pride Month Moot proved to be another occasion for advocates of the future to showcase their skills. The quality of the moot was first-class, with the arguments ranging from penalty clauses to implied terms of good faith. The event underscored the continuing recognition of the Commercial Bar of the importance of an inclusive and diverse profession. Everyone considering a career at the Bar, in whatever field, should be reassured that equality and diversity are valued and celebrated."