

CEDR accredited mediator

Judge of the First-tier Tribunal (Property Chamber) (Land Registration)

Stephanie specialises in property disputes and tackles them from all angles: her primary profession is as an advocate and adviser, but she also helps parties to resolve disputes through ADR. Stephanie also sits as a part time tribunal judge. Stephanie was appointed QC in 2019.

Stephanie has experience of a wide variety of property-related cases and is very good at assimilating new material quickly.

## Qualifications

- $_{\circ}$  1995 MA (Oxon): first class degree in Jurisprudence (Law).
- $_{\circ}\,$  1996 Bar School, placing 3rd in the year; called to the Bar.
- o 1997 Commenced practice at 9 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn (subsequently merged with Maitland Chambers)
- o 2007 CEDR accredited mediator.
- o 2008 Moved to Falcon Chambers
- 2008 Appointed Deputy Adjudicator to the Office of the Adjudicator to HM Land Registry (part time). JSB Tribunal Judge training undertaken.
- 2013 Judge of the First Tier Tribunal (Property Chamber) (Land Registration)

I speak good (but not fluent) French and hold a Diplome de français des affaires 2eme degre (DFA2) avec mention tres bien (distinction) (2008).

For what it is worth, I am also comfortably numerate: I have As in maths and Further Maths at A-level.

## Dispute resolution experience

I have been sitting as a part time Tribunal judge (and conducting mediations) for well over 10 years. I was admitted as a member of the CIArb some years ago, following an assessment process (although I have not continued to pay the sub). As well as my work as an advocate (for more information about this, please see the link below), I have resolved cases raising many different sorts of issue, including the following:

- Several cases raising landlord and tenant issues including: sums due under the lease (arrears and damages for disrepair, damage to property landlord's fixtures and chattels), forfeiture, surrender and unauthorised alterations
- $_{\circ}$  Whether an oral compromise had been made and was effective. This is the only occasion I have been appealed. The appeal was

dismissed: [2013] Ch 363.

- $_{\circ}$  Whether making an application for a property adjustment order entitled an applicant to a unilateral notice
- o Forgery
- $_{\circ}\,$  Boundary disputes and cases about acquisition of easements.

As well as making final determinations following hearings, I regularly deal with interim matters on paper, including setting directions, dealing with non-compliance and assessment of costs. I also have experience providing legal advice to non-lawyer arbitrators.

Examples of some of the Tribunal judgments (which are public) that I have given can be found here.

## **Publications**

Mortgage Receivership Law and Practice (2018) by Stephanie Tozer and Cecily Crampin

The Electronic Communications Code and Property Law Practice and Procedure (2018) - contributing author

Charging Orders: Law and Practice (2013) - contributing author