

## Paul Burns

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### Clerks' Details

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### Appointments

- Registered Pupil Supervisor (2008)
- Independent Counsel to Police Misconduct Hearings (2010-2015)
- Non-Executive Director [NHS] (2010-2017)
- Senior Independent Director [NHS] (2012-2017)
- Non-Executive Director at First Ark (Group Board) (2015-2017)
- Junior Counsel to the Crown – Regional Panel A (2015)
- Legally Qualified Chair of Police Misconduct Hearings (2016)
- Chair of the LMH Group (2017)
- Legally Qualified Chair and Legal Assessor to the Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service (2017)
- Vice-Chair of Torus 62 Limited (2019)
- Recorder (2019)

### Memberships

- Lincoln's Inn
- Northern Circuit
- The Social Housing Law Association
- Northern Administrative Law Association
- National Association of Legally Qualified Chairs
- Member of the Chartered Institute of Housing

### Police Law CV

#### Overview

Paul has extensive experience in Police Law. His work has involved him in a number of complex, high profile and sensitive regulatory / misconduct cases connected with undercover policing / drugs, misconduct (e.g. allegations of dishonesty / sexual misconduct / discriminatory behaviour) and performance.

Between 2009 and 2015 Paul acted as Independent Counsel to Police Misconduct hearings. Since 2016 he has been a Legally Qualified Chair of Police Misconduct hearings, and in 2017 he was appointed a Legally Qualified Chair and Legal Assessor at the Medical Practitioners' Tribunal Service. Paul is a member of the National Association of Legally Qualified Chairs. In 2019 he was appointed a Recorder. He has a wealth of experience when instructed to act for Police Officers in Misconduct cases.

Paul is a highly regarded and persuasive advocate who enjoys an excellent reputation with professional / lay clients and judges / tribunal members. His broad experience at the Bar, and outside the Bar, has been of immense practical value when advising in, conducting and chairing regulatory / misconduct cases.

## Education

- LLB (Hons) University of Liverpool (1997)
- Hardwicke Scholar - The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn (1997)
- Sir Thomas More Scholar - The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn (1997)
- Bar Vocational Course, Inns of Court School of Law (1998) PGDipLaw (London: 1998)
- Exchange Chambers (1998-date)
- Head of Local Government & Social Housing Department: Exchange Chambers (2010-date)

## Beyond the Bar

Paul was a Non-Executive Director at Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust between June 2010 and April 2017. He was Chair of the Trust's Remuneration & Nominations Committee between January 2013 and December 2016 and was the Senior Independent Director between April 2012 and April 2017. Paul was a Non-Executive Director on the First Ark Limited Group Board between September 2015 and March 2017. In April 2017 Paul was appointed Chair of The LMH Group. In January 2019 Paul was appointed Vice-Chair of Torus 62 Limited and Chair of its Remuneration & Nominations Committee.