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Practice and background

Allan is a consultant barrister and was called to the Bar in 2000. Since then he has specialised in immigration law, with a particular emphasis on the European right of free movement, and human rights. He represents and advises private and corporate clients on all aspects of immigration law at first instance and all levels of the judicial system. He acts as an immigration expert in family proceedings and has an in-depth understanding of the rights of the child in immigration proceedings. He advises employers on Civil Penalties for employing illegal workers and has successfully won many appeals saving employers tens of thousands of pounds.

Allan's work with Birds Solicitors centres around trafficking and modern slavery. In particular challenging by judicial review Home Office decisions that victims have not been trafficked, usually in criminal appeals cases where the fact the person was a victim of trafficking was not taken into account.

On behalf of Birds Solicitors he advises corporate clients on the requirement to provide a 'transparency in supply chains' statement as required by the Modern Slavery Act 2015. His advice ranges from liability to prepare the report, to the content of the statement, and definitions of trafficking and modern slavery. He has previously advised a variety of clients including a major European airline, a global fashion house, and a housing association, to name a few.

Articles, Press and Publications

Allan was widely quoted in the press in relation to Modern Slavery Act, including The Times and LexisNexis. Allan is currently writing an article for the Birkbeck Law review on LGBT asylum claims in the UK.

Associated Work

Allan has a strong interest in LGBT rights and is a trustee of the UK Lesbian and Gay Immigration Group, which campaigns for the better treatment of LGBT asylum seekers as well as offering support services to LGBT refugees. He is a founding member of the Transgender Equality Legal Initiative, which in November 2016 will bring together activists, lawyers, politicians and other interested parties to further equality under the law for transgender persons.

He is a visiting tutor at the University of Law and was a part-time tutor at Kaplan Law School. He is an advocacy trainer for the Inner Temple.

Professional Memberships

Immigration Law Practitioners' Association

Education

Allan went to school in Dublin and obtained his lower degree at London Metropolitan University and his higher degree from the University of Westminster.