

Telha Arshad

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Biography

Telha advises on all stages of government decision making, from initial policy development through to judicial review challenges. His practice has a particular focus on the tech sector and he works with innovative businesses facing novel and emerging regulatory issues, such as online harms and AI.

Telha helps clients navigate complex regulatory environments, engage effectively with government and shape the policy and regulation that affects them. He provides a unique combined legal and public policy perspective, having guided clients through complex regulatory litigation, such as judicial review proceedings and regulatory appeals, as well as high profile parliamentary and public inquiry processes and business-critical policy change.

Telha is described as "a brilliant lawyer - sharp in legal analysis, helpful to clients, proactive and an absolute joy to work with" by Chambers and Partners, which ranks him as an "Associate to Watch" for both the Administrative and Public Law and Parliamentary and Public Affairs categories.

During his time at Hogan Lovells, Telha was seconded to the Uber's London Regulatory and Litigation team.

Telha has acted for several pro bono clients in public law matters, particularly in cases relating to access to justice issues. He is also on the firm's UK2030 Taskforce, which focuses on the strategic and policy issues facing UK business in the coming years, and its



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Languages

English
Hindi
Spanish
Urdu

Practices

Administrative and Public Law
Government Relations and Public Affairs
Litigation Services

Industries

Automotive and Mobility
Life Sciences and Health Care
Technology and Telecoms

Online Services and Artificial Intelligence working groups, which focus on regulatory change in the tech sector.

Representative experience

Acting for Uber in its successful appeals in 2018 and 2020 against TfL's decisions not to renew its London operator's licence.

Advising senior executives of multinational technology companies on giving evidence to Parliamentary Select Committee hearings.

Advising a number of digital services, including online marketplaces and video sharing platforms, on content regulation and other technology policy issues.

Acting for the UK Gambling Commission in defending challenges to the 4th National Lottery Competition for licences to run and promote the National Lottery.

Successfully representing the UK Department for Energy Security and Net Zero in its defence of judicial review challenges on public law and subsidy control grounds to the transfer of Bulb Energy.

Advising an online marketplace on a potential challenge, under the internet intermediary liability regime, to proposed regulatory and licensing restrictions.

Advising Uber on an ongoing basis on its regulatory strategy to support the growth of its innovative service in regulated markets.

Advising a sovereign wealth fund on its UK investment functions in relation to issues arising from the political situation in the sovereign state.

Advising on Freedom of Information Act requests for details of communications with the UK Government in relation to Brexit.

Advising the UK Government on public law and legislative issues relating to higher education funding.

Advising a media organisation on its engagement with public bodies in relation to proposals for the

Sports, Media and Entertainment

Areas of focus

UK Parliamentary Affairs

Judicial Review

Public Affairs

Brexit

Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology

Political Law Compliance

Artificial Intelligence

Education and admissions

Education

LL.B., London School of Economics, 2012

Memberships

Committee Member, City of London Law Society, AI Committee

Member, The Constitutional and Administrative Law Bar Association

Member, Young Public Lawyers Group

Bar admissions and qualifications

Solicitor, England and Wales

Court admissions

Senior Courts of England and Wales

introduction of restrictions on food and drink advertising.

Successfully representing an advocacy group in the challenge of a government decision to remove court provision in West Sussex.

Awards and rankings

- Associate to Watch, Parliamentary & Public Affairs, *Chambers and Partners*, 2024
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Latest thinking and events

- News
 - The UK election: All "Change" for companies providing products and services on the UK market?
- News
 - Key insights from the London Tech Week 2024
- Sponsorships and Speaking Engagements
 - MOVE London 2024
- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells partners with The Politics Project to boost voter participation ahead of the UK general election
- Insights and Analysis
 - Promoting Democracy: The Voter Handbook
- News
 - UK passes Media Act 2024 with major changes to UK media regulation

Accolades

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Chambers UK, 2024, Parliamentary & Public Affairs

Telha is calm and collected in the face of immense pressure and complexity, providing expert advice and support on any question that is thrown at him.

Chambers UK, 2024, Administrative & Public Law
