



GOVERNING BENCHER APPLICATIONS DEMONSTRATION OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE INN AND THE PROFESSION

The application form for Governing Benchers will include questions about candidates' contributions in the following areas. Applicants will be asked to provide dates and a short summary of engagement and where applicable, other Benchers or Departments worked with. Candidates may provide date estimates if no precise records are available.

Demonstration of commitment to the Inn

Outreach: For example, Discovery Days for school students, Insight Evenings, Dinner to the Universities, Pegasus Access and Support Scheme – including on circuit

Scholarships: For example, for the Bar Course, GDL and Internship Awards

Qualifying Sessions: For example, speaking on subject-specific panel sessions; providing CV and application advice as part of workshop sessions; acting as judge/group leader at Student Residential Weekends (Cumberland Lodge etc.) – including on circuit

Advocacy Training: For example, providing training as an Inn-accredited advocacy trainer for pupils, new and established practitioners

Student and Pupil Support Schemes: For example, participating in the Mentoring, Mock Interview Support, Marshalling, and Pupils' Support Schemes

Student Societies: For example, supporting the activities of the Debating, Drama, Mooting and/or Racial Equality Societies and the Inner Temple Students' Association (ITSA)

Special Networks and Forums: For example, assisting with the organisation of/speaking at Employed Bar Forum, Inns of Court Alliance for Women and LGBTQ+ Society activities

International Activities: For example, hosting/speaking to international delegations and international advocacy/judicial training

Attendance at events: For example, attendance at the Inn's lectures, dinners and social events

Committees and Working Groups: For example, as a member of the Bar Liaison Committee, a co-opted member of any of the Inn's committees, or as a member of an ad hoc Working Group

Ad Hoc Internal Disciplinary Panels: For example, sitting on panels constituted by the Inn to assess complaints and serious matters concerning students and members

Other: Any other support of Inner Temple activities not listed above

**Demonstration of commitment to the Profession
(in alphabetical order)**

Bar Council: For example, on committees, panels or working groups, as an Equality & Diversity Officer, or supporting the delivery of Bar Council training or events

Chambers: For example, by participating in governance and leadership roles, contributing to pupillage, recruitment, mentoring, EDI and wellbeing initiatives

Circuit: For example, as a Circuit Officer, on committees, panels or working groups, or supporting the delivery of circuit training or events

Employed Bar: For example, through Bar-wide forums, networks and initiatives

Judiciary: For example, by participating in judicial governance and committees, helping to deliver judicial training, engaging with initiatives to promote modernisation, reform, mentoring, EDI and wellbeing

Pro Bono and Access to Justice Initiatives: For example, through Advocate or the Free Representation Unit

Specialist Bar Associations: For example, as an SBA Officer, on committees, panels or working groups, or supporting the delivery of SBA training or events

Support of International Activities: For example, assisting international engagement, training programmes abroad (such as through ICCA or the Judicial College) or hosting/speaking to international delegations

Other: Any other support of the profession not listed above