

FOREGATE  **CHAMBERS**
(Barrister Clerking)

SAM MAHMUD

Sam was called to the Bar in **1996** and is a Member of Lincoln's Inn



Specialisations :

- Family (all aspects barring finances)
- Human Rights
- Immigration and Asylum

Qualifications :

M.A (Oxon) (Oxford university :Oxon)

LL.M (Soas) (School of Oriental and African Studies: SOAS,) (Univ. Of London)

M.Phil (Cantab) (Cambridge University: Cantab)

B.A (Jurisprudence) (Oxon) (Oxford University: Oxon)

Profile :

Born in Karachi, Sam lived in Pakistan and then the United States before he moved to the United Kingdom in 1992. Educated at a prestigious private boarding school in Pakistan, Sam completed his primary and secondary education in Pakistan and went to the United States where he completed a first degree in Classical Civilisation. Sam went on to do a law degree at Oxford University and a Masters in Oriental Studies at Cambridge University. He then proceeded to a Master of Laws at the School of Oriental and African Studies and was also awarded a Master's degree at Oxford University.

Sam practises predominantly in the area of Family Law, Asylum law, Immigration law and Human Rights. He is known for his empathic manner, fearless and persuasive advocacy and a congenial and reassuring manner which makes him repeatedly asked for both by lay and professional clients. Sam is known for his persistence in fighting the lay client's corner and for his tirelessness in securing the best possible outcome for his clients.

Immigration and Asylum Law :

- Asylum
- Immigration
- Human Rights
- Judicial Review
- Public Law

Sam appears regularly before the First and Upper Tiers of the Tribunal (Immigration and Asylum Chamber). He provides advice and representation in all areas of immigration, nationality and asylum law both inside and outside London. Having lived in 3 continents, freedom of movement is close to Sam's heart and his growing interest in Public Law includes challenges to immigration decisions and detention before the High Court. Sam is often instructed in matters with an immigration and family law overlap.

To instruct Mr Mahmud, please email: clerk@foregatechambers.co.uk or telephone Julia Vaughan on 07760 766152

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Family Law :

- Adoption
- Care Proceedings
- Child Abduction
- Children Act applications
- Emergency protection of children
- Divorce/Nullity
- Domestic Violence
- Forced Marriage
- Private law

(NO FINANCIAL ISSUES undertaken)

Sam regularly appears in complex and sensitive matters dealing with care proceedings, private law, emergency protection of children, children act applications, domestic violence, child abduction, family, as well as specialising in matters where there is an overlap between family law and asylum and immigration. Sam represents parents and children and has a strong interest in matters under the Forced Marriage Act.

If you require the quality assistance of Mr Saamir Mahmud, you can instruct him if you are one of the following, or through one of the following:

- a practising Solicitor,
- the Bar Council's Licensed Access Scheme if you hold a valid licence
- A member of a professional body which has been recognised by the Bar standards Board

Notable Cases:

Sam has appeared in a number of important cases at all levels, including the following High Court matter:

R (on the application of Shah) v Secretary of State for the Home Department [2014] EWHC 3337 (Admin).

Memberships :

Family Law Bar Association (**FLBA**)

Child Abduction Lawyers Association (**CALA**)

Member the **Royal Scots Club**

Member of the **Savage Club** whose motto is "the pursuit of happiness"

Other Languages :

Fluent and often accepts instructions in Urdu and Panjabi at court