



Mini Pupillage Scholarship Application Form 2020

The Bar of England and Wales is divided into six regions, commonly known as “Circuits”. One of which is the Midland Circuit. Amongst other things, the Circuits provide support and training for barristers practising within the area.

The Midland Circuit recognises that financial pressures can restrict deserving candidates from undertaking mini-pupillages, perhaps because they cannot afford to travel to or stay in the required location for a week, or because it involves losing a week of paid employment. As such, the Midland Circuit is offering 5 funded mini-pupillages for students in higher education (18 years and over).

The programme will arrange for successful candidates to spend 3-5 days (at a mutually agreeable time during the next academic year or as otherwise required) at a Chambers on Circuit. This will be matched as closely as possible to the location and desired practice areas of the individual candidate. Reasonable funding for travel and/or accommodation will be provided and should be detailed within the application form.

Successful candidates will be determined on merit. Candidates should provide any relevant details regarding personal background; their connection to the Midlands; all dates of availability for the academic year 2020/2021 and reasons why they wish to undertake a mini-pupillage. This will be considered alongside the answers to the competency questions. The form can be downloaded from the Midland Circuit website (<https://www.midlandcircuit.co.uk/downloads>).

This programme is not restricted to those studying law or a qualifying conversion course but a strong link to the Midlands is required and must be evidenced within the application form. We particularly welcome applications from black and minority ethnic candidates as they are under represented at the Bar.

All completed application forms should be emailed to mcamp@midlandcircuit.co.uk. The closing date is 2 October 2020 and successful candidates will be notified by 16 October 2020 (please note that this has recently been extended in light of the COVID-19 pandemic).

Personal Information	
Application ID Number: (internal use only)	
Full Name:	
Address:	
Post Code:	
Telephone Number:	
Mobile Number:	
Email Address:	
Full Driving License:	
Age:	
Date of Birth:	
Previous Mini Pupillage Applications and details of any mini pupillages undertaken:	
Further Details including how the mini pupillage was obtained:	
Criminal Convictions:	
Further Details:	
Bankruptcy:	
Further Details:	
Professional Misconduct:	
Further Details:	
Pending Legal Proceedings:	
Further Details:	
Prevention of Work in the UK:	
Further Details:	
Desired Locations	
Desired Mini Pupillage Location: Birmingham, Nottingham or Leicester	
Education & Qualifications	
Please list school and university attended – do not list your grades	
Memberships of Professional bodies etc:	
Employment & Career History	
Please list employment history including mini-pupillages and any other work experience.	
Why you wish to undertake a mini pupillage	

Please detail why you wish to undertake a funded mini pupillage (250 words max)	
What are your links to the Midland Circuit?	
Specific Questions – 250 words max per question	
Describe a situation where someone disagreed with you and you had to persuade them of your point of view	
What is your proudest achievement to date?	
Give an example of you working well (i) with others and (ii) individually	
Give an example of public speaking you have undertaken	
Describe a situation in which you consider yourself to have you demonstrated initiative	
Any Other Information	
Please include any other relevant personal or financial information you would like us to consider.	
Please indicate any special requirements which you may have to enable you to undertake a mini pupillage	
Please give an estimate of your hotel and travel costs for one week within your preferred location	
Please give all dates of availability for September 2020-July 2021	