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David joined 5 Essex Court as a tenant in September 2019 after successfully completing his pupillage and is acquiring experience across Chambers' core practice areas, particularly Police Law.

Before pupillage David spent three years working for the Office of the Independent Adjudicator for Higher Education, where he was responsible for judging complaints involving professional discipline, student immigration, and serious sexual misconduct. He was also part of the ombudsman's legal team, assisting with judicial review casework.

David's other experience in the higher education sector includes working on education policy for Students' Unions, acting as a reviewer for the Quality Assurance Agency, and representing students in disciplinary proceedings at the University of Oxford.

David studied History and Economics at St John's College, University of Oxford, before completing the GDL with distinction. He was awarded a Diplock Scholarship by Middle Temple for the Bar Professional Training Course.