Thomas Buxton.

Barrister • Year of call Call: 1983



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What others say:

- *"Thomas a safe pair of hands able to handle everything with absolute professionalism and class."* **Chambers & Partners, Processional Discipline 2026**
- *"Thomas is a sublime practitioner. I often doubt my own case when he speaks."*

  "Thomas is lovely, unflappable and calm. His advocacy is composed and measured."

  "Tom is always a pleasure to work with." **Chambers & Partners, Professional Discipline 2025**
- **Legal 500 - Professional Disciplinary and Regulatory Law, Leading Juniors 2025**
- *'Thomas is an eloquent, highly skilled and knowledgeable barrister who never fails to deliver'. 'He is superb and has amazing client care and great attention to detail'.* **- Chambers & Partners, Professional Discipline 2023**
- **Legal 500 - Professional Disciplinary and Regulatory Law, Leading Juniors 2023**
- *'I enjoy a collaborative working relationship with him where I feel my input is greatly valued rather than him simply dictating how he thinks the case should be run. He has a steady sympathetic approach with the registrants but will also cut to the chase and say how it is.'* **Professional Discipline - Leading Juniors**

Qualifications:

- LLB (Hons) University of Nottingham

Professional memberships, appointments and affiliations:

- South Eastern Circuit
- Criminal Bar Association
- Association of Regulatory and Disciplinary Lawyers
- Panel B Regulatory Advocate in Health and Safety and Environmental law

(Chambers and Partners 2022)

- **Professional Discipline and Regulatory Law – Leading Juniors (Legal 500 – 2022)**
- *"Thomas is extremely knowledgeable in this area… He is a dynamic and fierce advocate and has a very keen eye for detail"* - **Professional Discipline and Regulatory Law – Leading Juniors (Legal 500 – 2021)**

Practice Profile:

Thomas is a respected and highly accomplished barrister who now specialises exclusively in Professional Discipline, Inquest and Regulatory law.

He is instructed in complex, sensitive cases on behalf of the Royal College of Nursing, Royal College of Midwives and other regulatory bodies, including the General Medical Council, General Dental Council, Health and Care Professions Council and Care Quality Commission. With a strong background in fraud and serious crime at the Criminal Bar, his considerable advocacy experience and case management skills are obvious strengths when appearing before Coroners' courts and regulatory disciplinary panels.

A well regarded advocate in coronial proceedings and professional regulatory tribunals, particularly in the healthcare sector, Thomas has extensive experience acting for both regulators and registrants who face allegations of professional wrongdoing through misconduct, deficient professional performance or ill-health.

His practice encompasses the most serious cases – ranging from deaths within clinical, mental health and community settings, to allegations of drugs misuse, and physical and/or sexual assaults against patients, colleagues and the public. Thomas is also instructed in one of the largest investigations currently being undertaken by the General Dental Council.

Thomas has an effective courtroom manner. He gives sensible, realistic advice in a straightforward and uncompromising manner. He is responsive, tactically astute, calm under pressure and has an ability to connect with clients, clinicians, experts and vulnerable witnesses at all stages of proceedings.

Thomas has provided lectures and training to the Royal College of Nursing, General Dental Council, Office of Road and Rail and to the wider professional

regulators via webinar and face to face in his areas of regulatory expertise.

Thomas is qualified to accept instructions from clients through the Direct Access scheme.

Professional discipline :

Thomas has a thriving, busy practice appearing in front of a range of regulators. He has undertaken numerous fitness to practise cases before the General Dental Council, Health and Care Professions Council, Nursing and Midwifery Council and the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal involving matters of health, conduct and competence. He appears in a wide range of serious, high-profile cases involving clinical negligence, patient deaths, sexual misconduct, breach

Regulatory law:

Thomas was appointed in 2019 to the HSE List of Specialist Regulatory Advocates. He receives instructions from the Care Quality Commission.

Inquests:

Thomas appears regularly as an advocate at inquests, particularly those where Article 2 is engaged involving juries. He is regularly instructed to represent healthcare professionals with interested person status.