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...with Richmond Chambers you get real barristers who are at the top of their profession and understand the legal system very well. We would highly recommend them.

Ehab Shouly

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We combine the expertise and quality of the Bar, with the service levels of a trusted law firm.



WHY CHOOSE US?

We've helped scores of individuals and businesses obtain visas for the UK and/or challenge Home Office immigration decisions. Our immigration barristers bring years of knowledge and experience to the table.

We work hard to understand our clients' plans and objectives. Then we put together the right team, with the right mix of skills, languages and experience, to help our clients get to where they want to be as easily and cost-effectively as possible.

We're obsessed with excellence and clear communication is vital to what we do. Our barristers work closely with our clients, to make sure that they always know what's going on and that everything is delivered on time.

Our barristers are passionate about immigration law and bring enthusiasm and commitment to every case they work on. We care about our clients and always go the extra mile to ensure that everything is 'just right'.

WHAT WE DO

Our multi-award winning immigration barristers provide expert legal advice and representation, directly to individuals and businesses, in relation to all aspects of UK immigration law.

We assist individuals with the full range of personal immigration matters, from preparing visa applications to enter and remain in the UK, to providing representation at appeals before the immigration tribunal and higher courts.

Our immigration barristers provide business decision makers with a range of business immigration services, from preparing sponsor licence applications, to visa applications for employees and advice on compliance management.

Our approach is distinctly innovative. Working directly with our clients, we combine the expertise and quality of the Bar with the service levels of a trusted law firm.

INVESTMENT MIGRATION

Richmond Chambers is widely recognised as one of the UK's leading immigration practices for investors and entrepreneurs. We were awarded 'Business Immigration Chambers of the Year in England' at the 2018 Corporate Intl Magazine Global Awards, 'UK Business Immigration Barrister of the Year' at the ACQ5 Law Awards 2018 and 'Business Immigration Set of the Year' at the Global Law Experts Awards 2017.

Our work on behalf of investors and entrepreneurs has also been recognised through membership of the Investment Migration Council and the Department of International Trade's Investor Support Network.

Our investment migration team works closely with investors, wealth managers and leading banks to prepare and submit high quality visa applications for investors and their families.

Our team of immigration barristers is also experienced in assisting all types of entrepreneurs. Whether you are considering setting up and running a new business in the UK or looking to invest in an established business, our barristers are experts in the immigration options for entrepreneurs and can guide you through the complex Home Office rules and policies.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- Our barristers assisted a high net worth citizen of China to relocate to the UK by preparing a successful application for a UK Tier 1 (Investor) visa.
- We assisted a family from Russia to extend their stay in the UK under the Tier 1 (Investor) visa route using UKVI's Super Premium Service.
- Our investment migration team worked with a businessperson from the UAE to secure a Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) visa to set up and run a business in the UK.
- Our immigration barristers used Administrative Review proceedings to successfully overturn a Home Office finding that our Bangladeshi client was not a genuine entrepreneur.

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Not only did they get us the result needed (Tier 1 extension), but the results were based on a thorough and very structured methodology. We felt informed and confident throughout the process.

Hatem Dowidar



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The service provided was outstanding in all areas: expertise, organization, speed of response to our questions, support and management of our case from start to finish. Highly recommended.

Mark Wallace

FAMILY MIGRATION

Our immigration barristers regularly assist foreign national spouses, civil partners, unmarried partners, fiancé(e)s, proposed civil partners, children and adult dependent relatives to relocate to, and settle in, the UK with their British citizen or settled family members.

Whether you require expert advice on the requirements of the Immigration Rules, an independent assessment of your prospects of qualifying for a family visa or professional assistance with preparing a family visa application or appeal, our immigration barristers can help.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- Our immigration barristers assisted a citizen of the Philippines and her daughter to ensure that their spouse and child visa applications were approved.
- Richmond Chambers successfully represented a citizen of Pakistan in her appeal against a decision of the Home Office to refuse her unmarried partner visa application.
- Our family migration team were successful in overturning two decisions of the Home Office to refuse to grant Adult Dependent Relative visas to our Indian clients.

EEA NATIONALS AND FAMILY

Our immigration barristers have assisted scores of EEA nationals and their family members to exercise their rights of free movement in the UK.

From applying for EEA Family Permits to enter the UK, to obtaining documents from the Home Office to confirm a right of residence or permanent residence, we understand the complexities of the EEA Regulations and bring an in-depth knowledge of both domestic and international case-law.

Whether you require expert advice on the requirements of the EEA Regulations, an independent assessment of your prospects of qualifying for an EEA residence document or professional assistance with preparing an EEA residence card application or appeal, our immigration barristers can help.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- The EEA team at Richmond Chambers assisted a citizen of the US to obtain an EEA Family Permit based on her durable relationship with a Polish national.
- Our specialist EEA barristers assisted the partner of an EEA national to overturn a determination of the First tier Tribunal that his marriage was one of convenience.
- Our barristers helped a dependent descendant over 21 submit a fresh application to secure a Permanent Residence Card.
- We won an appeal against a decision of the Home Office to refuse to issue an EEA Permanent Residence Card on the basis of self-employment.

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Richmond Chambers was incredibly professional and supportive from start to finish, helping me understand the UK requirements for EEA Family permits, advise on the supporting documentation needed, and review my application before submission.

Katherine Michonski

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As an employer, I decided to use Richmond Chamber's services to apply for a visa extension for one of our key employees. I found their approach to be consistently confident and unflappable, responding to queries and acknowledging receipt of documents quickly and efficiently...

Care4U Pharmacy Ltd



WORK VISAS

Our team of business immigration barristers has experience in assisting employers and skilled workers across a variety of industries and in companies of all sizes.

From skilled workers looking to take up new opportunities in the UK, to employees of multinational companies transferring to a UK branch and senior employees of overseas businesses seeking to establish a UK branch or subsidiary, we can help ensure that your career progresses in full compliance with UK immigration law.

Whether you require expert advice on your work visa options under the UK's Immigration Rules, an independent assessment of your prospects of qualifying for a work visa or professional assistance with preparing a work visa application or review, our immigration barristers can help.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- Our immigration barristers assisted the Director of a fashion design company to relocate to the UK on a Tier 2 (General) visa.
- We assisted a senior employee of a major chemical manufacturing company in Pakistan to obtain a Sole Representative of an Overseas Business visa.
- Our immigration barristers assisted a senior client manager for a global software distribution company to relocate to the UK with a Tier 2 (Intra Company Transfer) visa.
- Richmond Chambers assisted a theatre actor to obtain a Tier 1 (Exceptional Promise) endorsement.

SHORT STAY VISAS

Our immigration barristers are experienced in assisting with all types of visit visa applications.

Whether you are considering travelling to the UK for a holiday, to visit friends and family, to undertake a business trip or short paid engagement, to get married or to receive private medical treatment, our barristers can advise you as to the most appropriate visit visa and guide you through the requirements of the Immigration Rules.

If your application for a visit visa has been refused, our immigration barristers can advise on the merits of, and assist with, making a fresh application or challenging the decision

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- Our barristers assisted two US dancers to give a paid performance in the UK by successfully applying for Permitted Paid Engagement visas.
- Our immigration barristers successfully challenged a decision of UK Visas & Immigration to refuse to grant a business visit visa to our Kenyan client.
- We helped a client from Nigeria visit the UK in order to receive private medical treatment.
- Richmond Chambers secured a visit visa for a citizen of China to visit his family in the UK despite a finding of previous deception in an immigration application.

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Superb knowledge and professional service – simply excellent. Richmond Chambers provides outstanding service and their knowledge of the UK immigration process and law is unmatched.

Andrea Lewis



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Professional and detailed. Richmond Chambers has a way of making you feel at ease and confident about your immigration status. Their thoroughness and professionalism is compared to none.

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STUDY VISAS

Our immigration barristers regularly assist international students to move to, or extend their stay in, the UK in order to pursue their education.

If you are over the age of 16 and have been offered an unconditional place on a course with an educational institution holding a Tier 4 Sponsor Licence then you may qualify for a Tier 4 (General) Student visa. Children aged between 4 and 17 years old can apply for a Tier 4 (Child) Student visa.

Our barristers are experts in the immigration options for students and will guide you through the Immigration Rules in order to ensure that you can start your course of study on time.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- We represented a citizen of Nigeria in his application for entry clearance as a Tier 4 (General) migrant to complete an MSc in Computer Science at Middlesex University.
- Our immigration barristers assisted a citizen of Pakistan to secure further leave to remain as a Tier 4 (General) Student to study a Postgraduate Dental Foundation Programme at Health Education South London.
- Richmond Chambers was instructed in a Tier 4 (Child) Student extension application to allow a 14 year old Iranian citizen to continue his studies at Collingham Independent GCSE & Sixth Form College.

SETTLEMENT IN THE UK

Our immigration barristers regularly advise and assist foreign nationals to secure indefinite leave to remain in the UK.

The UK offers various routes to settlement by investment, by working in the UK, as the family member of a British or settled person and based on long residence.

Whether you require expert advice on the requirements of the Immigration Rules, an independent assessment of your prospects of qualifying for settlement or professional assistance with preparing an application or appeal with a view to qualifying for indefinite leave to remain, our immigration barristers can help.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- We successfully applied for indefinite leave to remain for an Australian client based on 5 years residence as a partner in the UK with his British wife.
- Our immigration barristers represented a Saudi national in his appeal against a decision to refuse his application for ILR based on 10 years long residence due to excess absences. The appeal was allowed.
- Richmond Chambers assisted a Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) from Jordan to obtain accelerated settlement in the UK based on having created 10 new jobs.

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Richmond Chambers came out head and shoulders above the rest. We were carefully guided through the whole settlement visa procedure and no stone was left unturned.

John Rogerson

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Richmond Chambers Immigration Barristers are professional, competent, friendly, and supportive.

Sheng Yue



BRITISH CITIZENSHIP

Our immigration barristers have experience assisting with all types of British nationality matters.

Whether you are looking to apply for naturalisation on your own or on the basis of your marriage to a British citizen, or register a claim to British citizenship either by entitlement or at the discretion of the Secretary of State, our barristers can guide you through the complexities of British nationality law.

If your application for British citizenship has been refused, our immigration barristers can advise on the merits of seeking a reconsideration of the decision and, if appropriate, assist with preparing an application for reconsideration.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- Members of our nationality team prepared 3 naturalisation applications for our South African clients, applying via the nationality checking service.
- Our immigration barristers assisted a Chinese child who was born in the UK and had lived here for over 10 years to register as a British citizen.
- We advised adult American siblings on the prospects of registering as British citizens by descent through their mother when, at the time of birth, it was only possible for citizenship by descent to be passed through their father.

HUMAN RIGHTS & REFUGEE PROTECTION

Our immigration barristers have extensive experience preparing high quality human rights-based / asylum applications and successfully appealing against decisions of the Home Office on human rights / asylum grounds.

Our barristers are experts on the immigration options for individuals seeking to remain in the UK on human rights grounds and will guide you through the Home Office rules, policies and case-law. We have assisted individuals from throughout the world to seek and obtain international protection in the UK.

We pride ourselves on being approachable and proactive in understanding and meeting our clients' needs.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- The Richmond Chambers immigration team assisted a family from Pakistan to secure leave to remain in the UK on the basis of their private and family life.
- We acted for a Nigeria national in her appeal against a refusal of leave to remain in the UK with her British Citizen partner and children.
- We successfully assisted a student from Syria to seek international protection following the completion of his studies at a UK university.
- Our immigration barristers acted for two unaccompanied asylum seeking children from Iran who were granted refugee status on account of their conversion to Christianity.

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Amazing, Amazing, Amazing. From start to finish the team from Richmond Chambers were professional, empathetic, supportive and extremely knowledgeable.

Renee Annon



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Throughout the process the quality of advice we received was excellent ... We found everyone in the team to be polite, professional and conscientious.

Tom Gaydon

SPONSOR LICENSING

Our business immigration barristers assist UK employers to obtain the right sponsor licence, maintain their licence at the highest rating and comply with their sponsor duties.

Whether you require advice on the correct company-related documentation to provide in support of a sponsor licence application, assistance with drafting a compelling business case that will satisfy UKVI that you need a sponsor licence in order to fill a genuine role or guidance on running a compliant RLMT, our immigration barristers can manage the sponsor licence application process on your behalf.

We also assist employers to identify and remedy caseworker errors in sponsor licence refusal, suspension and revocation decisions, if necessary through bringing judicial review proceedings.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- Our immigration barristers assisted a marketing company to conduct a compliant Resident Labour Market Test and obtain a sponsor licence, following an earlier rejection.
- Richmond Chambers obtained a Sponsor Licence for a specialist health research consultancy.
- Our immigration barristers assisted a software development company to obtain a Tier 2 (Intra Company Transfer) sponsor licence.

SPONSOR COMPLIANCE

Our immigration barristers are well versed in all the required right to work checks that employers must undertake. We work closely with businesses to ensure that their HR processes are robust and can help to design and audit current right to work checks in the workplace. We will simplify the process for you and help to protect you and your business from any immigration compliance issues.

If you have been issued with a Notification of Liability for a Civil Penalty, our immigration barristers can advise as to the likelihood of establishing a statutory excuse. We also assist with submitting objections to the Civil Penalty Compliance Team and provide legal representation at civil penalty appeals in the County Court.

RECENT WORK HIGHLIGHTS:

- Our immigration barristers successfully assisted our client, an employer with a significant graduate recruitment programme, to have its sponsor licence fully reinstated following a suspension.
- Richmond Chambers assisted our import/export business client to respond to a Home Office investigatory letter without any further Home Office visit.

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The services provided by Richmond Chambers are worth every penny. They demonstrated a very professional approach at each and every step of the case, with amazing response times.

Kashif Lakhani



The background image shows a sophisticated interior of a law chambers. It features dark wood paneling, a large window with a view of a city street, and modern lighting fixtures. A blue sofa and a round coffee table are visible in the foreground. The overall atmosphere is professional and elegant.

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