

Advocate Tom Crawford joins Ashton Barnes Tee

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Ashton Barnes Tee Indicates its Desire to Expand with Appointment of Employment Law Specialist

Guernsey law firm Ashton Barnes Tee has appointed Advocate Thomas Crawford as the firm looks to expand its team and enhance its litigation and employment law capabilities.

With a wealth of experience across all aspects of Guernsey law, Advocate Crawford joins the firm as a specialist in Guernsey's employment law and he will assist Partner Clare Tee in the firm's dedicated employment law department, which deals with all employment law matters, including housing control, right to work and immigration issues.

Advocate Crawford began his professional legal career at Carey Olsen (formerly Carey Langlois), where he became the first person ever to undertake a solicitor's training contract with a firm of Guernsey advocates. Whilst at Carey Olsen, he was responsible for the employment department acting for both employers and employees in contentious and non-contentious matters including unfair dismissal complaints, wrongful dismissal claims, advising on sex discrimination issues, disciplinary procedures and terminations of employment, and drafting contracts of employment and compromise agreements. He has appeared before the old employment adjudication, the Employment and Discrimination Tribunal and Magistrate's Court in unfair dismissal complaints and breach of employment contract claims.

Advocate Crawford is a graduate of King's College London and gained a Diploma in Law and Diploma in Legal Practice, with distinction, from the College of Law in Guildford.

A solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales, Advocate Crawford attended the Université de Basse Normandie in Caen where he gained the Certificat d'Etudes Juridiques Françaises et Normandes. He was called to the Guernsey Bar in January 2004 to become an Advocate of the Royal Court of Guernsey.

Advocate Crawford is a member of the Law Society of England and Wales and the Guernsey Bar, and has been Honorary Secretary to the National Trust of Guernsey since 2004.

Clare Tee, Partner at Ashton Barnes Tee, said:

'Although a relatively small, young firm, having been established in March 2006, Ashton Barnes Tee has ambitious plans to expand the team rapidly throughout 2007. This ambition is demonstrated by Thomas' appointment and we are obviously delighted to welcome an Advocate of such a high calibre to the team. He will undoubtedly play a major part in the development of the firm.'