

Inns of Court scholarship interviews – sample questions

Why have you chosen to become a Barrister (and not a solicitor)?

What areas of law are you interested in and why?

What do you consider to be the future of the Barristers' profession?

What experiences have most influenced your development as an individual?

Why did you choose to study Law at Warwick?

What was the most difficult thing you were asked to do during work experience?

Which of your legal experiences have you enjoy the most and why?

Tell me about the pupillages you are planning to apply for in London.

Tell me about a recent Moot that you have been involved in.

Tell me about a current item of legal interest that has captured your interest?

Should barristers wear wigs and gowns?

If money were no object, how would you like to spend the evening?

What are the challenges facing the Bar?

What achievements in your life are you most proud of?

Which aspects of your university degree have you found most challenging?

Explain the facts, legal principles and outcomes of any set of paper or any court work that you have seen whilst on mini pupillage.

Have you ever done work experience in the day during the vacation and then gone to work afterwards in the evening?

Where do you want to work geographically and why?

Which job did you enjoy the most and why?

Tell me about a recent piece of pro-bono work you have been involved in.

Tell me about a current item of legal interest that has captured your interest?

What qualities do you have that single you out from other applicants?

Do you think court proceedings should be televised?

What changes would you make to the criminal justice system?

Sell your watch to someone who has lived their entire life in the bush.....

What skills did the barrister you shadowed on your mini-pupillage display?

If we don't give you any money, what will you do?

Why law?



Apart from the area of law you are interested in going into what other areas may you want to practise in?

Apart from the area of law you are interested in are there any other areas of law you think should change?

When did you decide to go into Law?

You studied Philosophy and Ethics – what are ethical problems in law?

Did you find the mooting challenging? Why?

What were the topics of your Moot? What did you find interesting about them?

What area of law do you want to specialise in?

Would you defend a person who has been convicted of rape before? What do you find difficult about sexual offences cases? What did you find interesting about your mini-p? Have you got more mini-p's lined up? What qualities does a Barrister need? Why not be a Solicitor Advocate instead?

What was your primary role in your work experience? Where do you see yourself in 5 years? What makes you a good Barrister?