

Mental Health

Mental illness affects one in three people at some stage of their lives and when it happens they may be detained in hospital, losing their liberty and some of their rights.



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GHP Legal has a highly specialist and qualified team of lawyers who provide representation for Patients and their relatives at Mental Health Review Tribunals. We also attend at Managers' Meetings in respect of Patients detained under the provisions of the Mental Health Act and advise on Human Rights, deprivation of liberty provisions, treatment whilst in hospital and post-discharge care provision.

Our Mental Health team includes two members of the Mental Health Tribunal Accreditation Scheme, one of whom is also a Solicitor-Advocate and can provide representation in the Higher Courts.

GHP Legal is one of very few law firms in the area that has the expertise to deal with the highly specialised area of Mental Health Law. If you or a relative have been detained under the Mental Health Act you should contact us straight away, as acting quickly is of prime importance.

We will vigorously enforce the patient's Human Rights if they are infringed and can offer representation at Managers' Meetings, Mental Health Tribunals and all Courts including the High Court. You can talk to us in complete confidence.

- **Tribunals**

- Representation
- Independent reports
- Making the patient's voice heard

- **Hospital Managers' Meetings**

- Representation
- Making the patient's voice heard

- **Complaints**

- Making complaints to Health Authorities
- Making complaints to Social Services
- Articulating the patient's grievances

- **County Court Displacement Applications**

- Acting for patients
- Acting for relatives
- Getting the right next relative for the patient

- **Human Rights Applications and Judicial Review**

- Challenging infringement of the patient's Human Rights
- Reviewing and overturning wrong decisions
- Appeals to the higher Courts for the patient

- **Mental Capacity Act**

- Seeking the patient's preferred treatment
- Seeking the patient's preferred care placement
- Challenging the views of Professionals on behalf of the patient
- Using the Deprivation of Liberty Provisions