

# News story: Jonathan Jones Appointed as Honorary Queen's Counsel



Jonathan Jones, Treasury Solicitor and Permanent Secretary of the [Government Legal Department \(GLD\)](#), has been appointed Queen's Counsel (QC) Honoris Causa in the 2019 [QC appointments](#).

The rank of QC Honoris Causa is awarded to lawyers and legal academics who have made a major contribution to the law of England and Wales outside practice in the courts.

Jonathan has been recognised for building a unique shared legal service for government in GLD; for his personal role in providing legal advice to the government under the exceptional circumstances of Brexit; for his work on diversity and inclusion and, across the wider Civil Service, as health and wellbeing champion; and for his contribution to the legal profession as a Bencher of his Inn and in providing legal training for new barristers.

On his appointment Jonathan says "I am deeply privileged to be appointed an honorary QC. I am extremely grateful for the support of many colleagues, particularly those in GLD and the wider government legal community who do such important and high-quality work for government and the country."

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