

## Essay Competition



# QLT X MATRIX CHAMBERS ESSAY COMPETITION

Enter by 15th March 2021 to win an exclusive private open day with Matrix Chambers!

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Queer Lawyers of Tomorrow have teamed up with Matrix Chambers to host an essay competition.

Candidates will have a choice of 3 questions and there is a prize at stake!

All information about how to take part can be found below.



### **Queer Lawyers of Tomorrow & Matrix Chambers: Essay Competition**

#### **February 2021**

Queer Lawyers of Tomorrow and Matrix Chambers have teamed up to host an Essay Competition. This will be an opportunity for aspiring lawyers to show off their written advocacy skills, and their creative flair.

Choice of Questions:

1. *"The decision of the Divisional Court in R (Bell) v Tavistock and Portman NHS Trust [2020] EWHC 3274 (Admin) is wrong."* Discuss.
2. If you could change one law or legal principle in place today to improve the lives of LGBTQ+ people – which would you change, and why?
3. *"On the whole, activists and lawyers in the United States of America have been more effective in using the law to further the cause of LGBTQ+ rights than activists and lawyers in the United Kingdom."* Do you agree? Why / Why not?

The winner of the essay competition will be welcomed to Matrix Chambers for a private open day. This is a perfect opportunity to see what life in Chambers is like, and what a career at Matrix may entail.

All entries should be sent to [christie.oconnell@queerlawyersoftomorrow.org](mailto:christie.oconnell@queerlawyersoftomorrow.org) along with the candidates name.

#### **Rules:**

- **All essays must be no more than 1000 words and submitted as a Microsoft Word document.**
- **Referencing is not required but, if the candidate chooses to reference, the OSCOLA style must be used.**
- **Entries should be submitted no later than Monday 15th March at 12 noon.**