



Information sheet for participants: clients

York Law School

EU Rights and Brexit Hub: a legal action research project challenging and documenting obstacles to justice for EU and EEA nationals throughout the UK in the aftermath of Brexit

Thank you for your interest in taking part in this study. This sheet aims to tell you more about the research project.

The aims of the research

The project is a legal action research project – offering a second tier advice service to advisers on specialist EU issues, and analysing the cases we see to find out what obstacles to justice EU nationals face over the coming years – however their rights change, and whatever their new rights are, we are looking the barriers to accessing them.

Key objectives of the research are as follows:

- To identify the administrative procedures through which EU nationals must go to establish free movement and equal treatment rights.
- To identify barriers to accessing free movement and equal treatment rights, such as evidence requirements.
- To document any perceptions about attitudinal barriers and discrimination.
- To discover strategies for tackling these barriers, and to provide advisers with these strategies through devising a 'Brexit advice guide.'

Who is doing the research?

My name is Charlotte O'Brien and I am a researcher at the law department in the University of York. I am also a qualified CAB advisor and the director of York Law School clinic. I will be joined by a specialist post-doctoral research fellow and will work with clinic students.

What will I be asked to do?

Your adviser would like to seek specialist advice from our legal action research clinic. If you consent, then your adviser will correspond with us, and we will help and support them. We will not contact you directly.

Why should I take part?

We will aim to provide advice, and support with drafting any documents for your adviser. This project will also help to identify key problems faced by people using



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EU law once the UK has left the EU, and try to capture the human dimension of Brexit. We will present evidence for any needed changes of practice, or challenges to discrimination.

This work will also help with the further training of advisers, including the production of a Brexit advice guide, so they can better help EU national clients.

Do I have to take part?

No, it is fine if you do not want us to help on your case. If you do decide to take part and later change your mind, you can withdraw at any time before the end of the project. You do not have to give a reason.

What will happen to the information?

The enquiry details will be stored on the clinic private server in accordance with YLS clinic policies, for six years and then be destroyed. Anonymised case records will be used to create a dataset which will be stored, password protected in the university server until the end of the project. At the end of the project, the anonymous dataset will be shared with the UK Data Service in accordance with ESRC guidelines.

What happens next?

If you consent to participate, then simply let your adviser know. If you have any questions at any other point, you can contact me at law-eurightshub@york.ac.uk or 01904325808. You can follow the progress of our research, and read the results, at:

Thank you for reading this leaflet!