

Richard was called to the Bar in 2002, having previously completed undergraduate studies and a Masters degree in Criminal Justice and Criminology.

In 2002 he was appointed as a Legal Adviser in the Reading and West Berkshire Magistrates' Courts, followed by roles as a Senior Legal Adviser and Acting Principal Legal Adviser.

In 2007, Richard undertook the Qualified Lawyers Transfer Test and was admitted to the role of Solicitors in Spring 2008.

In August 2008 he was appointed as Deputy Clerk to the Justices in the West Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Magistrates' Courts. He currently has the Devon and Cornwall Youth Court portfolio role.

Richard has helped to write the 2010 Judicial Studies Board Youth Court Bench Book and Magistrates' Youth Induction Training, alongside assisting with Legal Advisers' training on the same subjects.

Richard was elected to the Council of the Justices' Clerks Society in April 2010.