



Kirsten Allan – Barrister

Called 1998

Kirsten is a very experienced advocate often instructed for her approachable and reassuring manner. She has a mixed common law practice with a particular emphasis on family work. She also undertakes work in immigration and general civil law. Since being called in 1998 Kirsten has appeared at nearly every level of court and in various tribunals ranging from the Magistrates' Court through to the Court of Appeal. She has worked extensively in London, the South East and on the Western Circuit.

AREAS OF PRACTICE:

FAMILY

Kirsten has extensive experience of all areas of family law with a particular focus on private law Children Act matters and matrimonial finance.

Children Act - Kirsten has acted for parents, step-parents and grandparents and children, amongst others and always aims to provide sympathetic but firm and realistic advice to ensure clients achieve the best outcomes from litigation involving children. She has appeared in applications for every type of section 8 order including contact outside the jurisdiction and relocation of children overseas. Kirsten has considerable experience in Section 8 applications involving significant complicating factors (e.g. serious domestic violence, addiction and/ or mental health issues). Kirsten accepts instructions in public law proceedings for care and supervision orders and is generally instructed on behalf of parents.

Matrimonial finance - Kirsten has advised on and appeared in a wide variety of matrimonial finance cases, ranging from limited asset cases requiring creative solutions up to high value cases with considerable assets available for division between the parties. She strives to obtain the best possible outcomes for clients in the most cost efficient way, ideally by way of negotiated settlements or, where necessary, through contested proceedings. Kirsten also advises on and represents clients applying to enforce and vary ancillary relief orders.

Family Law Act Injunctions - Kirsten has appeared on behalf of both applicants and respondents in applications for non-molestation orders and occupation orders, often at very short notice. She is also experienced in bringing and defending applications to enforce and punish breaches of FLA injunctions by way of committal.

IMMIGRATION

Kirsten provides advice and representation in a variety of immigration matters including applications for bail, asylum and human rights related appeals and entry clearance.



PERSONAL INJURY

Kirsten has been instructed in personal injury matters ranging from small claims and infant settlements through to multi-track claims. She is regularly instructed in claims arising from road traffic accidents, acting for both Claimants and Defendants.

QUALIFICATIONS

Called 1998 by Gray's Inn

Bar Vocational Course (College of Law, London) - *Very Competent*

Erskine Chambers Prize for drafting.

Scholarship from Gray's Inn

Common Professional Examination/ Diploma in Law (College of Law, Chester) -

Commendation

University of Manchester

BA (Joint Hons) Politics and Modern History

INTERESTS

Art, travel, reading & listening to Radio 4 - when my children let me!

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