

Dianne Martin



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Practice Overview

Dianne is a specialist family barrister undertaking all aspects of Children Act work, family finance and cohabitation. She is also a family arbitrator with CI Arb.

Dianne deals with the consequences of marriage breakdown, pre-nuptial settlements, divorce and the breakdown of cohabitation relationships. Cases frequently involve matters of financial and procedural complexity concerning substantial assets, trusts, companies and high net worth individuals.

In addition, Dianne handles applications pursuant to Children Act 1989, Schedule 1 and with respect to professional negligence matters arising from financial settlements within matrimonial proceedings.

She also appears on behalf of local authorities, parents and guardians in public law cases including those dealing with issues of adoption, NAI, sexual abuse, factitious illness and infant death. She has experience in abduction cases and residence/contact matters with an international dimension.

Dianne has given seminars on a number of topics including the following:

- ▶ International aspects of Family Law
- ▶ Armed Forces Pensions
- ▶ Schedule 1, Children Act 1989 and the relationship with Child Support Act applications
- ▶ Annual case law updates

Areas of Expertise

Family & Divorce

Children Private Law

Dianne is regularly instructed in cases involving child abduction and relocation as well as claims following a foreign marriage or divorce, international adoption (within the context of both private law and public law

proceedings). She has significant experience in child custody and surrogacy, the law relating to assisted conception, gay and lesbian co-parenting, and forced marriage.

Children Public Law

Dianne is regularly instructed in cases involving child abduction and relocation as well as claims following a foreign marriage or divorce, international adoption (within the context of both private law and public law proceedings) and forced marriage and surrogacy cases. She is also an expert in cases involving NAI, sexual abuse, factitious illness and infant death. She appears on behalf of local authorities, parents and guardians.

Divorce & Financial Remedy

Dianne deals with the consequences of marriage breakdown, pre-nuptial settlements, divorce and the breakdown of cohabitation relationships. Cases frequently involve matters of financial and procedural complexity concerning substantial assets, trusts, companies and high net worth individuals. In addition, Dianne handles applications pursuant to Children Act 1989, Schedule 1 and with respect to professional negligence matters arising from financial settlements within matrimonial proceedings.

Family ADR

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Professional Negligence

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Appointments:

- ▶ Associate of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Professional memberships:

- ▶ Family Law Bar Association

Qualifications & awards:

- ▶ LLB Hons 1st University of Central England Certificate of Education, Birmingham

Additional information:

Dianne enjoyed a successful career in teaching before achieving a First Class Honours Degree in Law 1991 and accepting an invitation to join Chambers in October 1993.

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