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Laura Morley

"Laura is incredibly thorough in her preparation and is very perceptive to the client's needs and concerns. She gives clear and practical advice and is a pleasure to work with."

Katie Longmate – Alexiou Fisher Philipps

Experience

Year of Call: 2006

Practice Areas

- Court of Protection Vulnerable Adult
- Financial Remedies
- International Children Law
- Private Children Law

Dispute Resolution

Collaborative Law

Direct Access

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Education

BSc Psychology, Leicester University Graduate Diploma in Law, BBP Law School Bar Vocational Course, BBP Law School Joseph Jackson Award (Middle Temple) 2005 Qualified Collaborative Lawyer

Profile

Laura specialises in private law children cases, representing parents and guardians in disputes both domestically and internationally. She also has a thriving practice dealing with complex financial disputes arising from divorce and relationship breakdowns. In both fields she is widely recognised for her technical expertise, advocacy skills and crucially her ability to steer a path through complicated and contentious disputes.

Laura has a growing reputation for her work in complex international children law cases, and cross-jurisdictional issues. She appeared in the High Court in the high profile wrongful retention case of Cambra v Jones [2014] EWHC 2264 (Fam), and has represented parents in many relocation cases. She is also sought out for her skilful handling of cases concerning arrangements for children in England and



Wales.

Laura has a thriving financial practice, representing married, civil partnered and unmarried parties in divorce, dissolution and separation cases, as well as disputes concerning financial provision for the children of unmarried parents.

Laura has an interest and growing practice in advising and representing clients on the law relating to the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 2008 (surrogacy, parental order applications and fertility treatment). She also regularly lectures on the subject.

Clients frequently praise Laura's refreshingly calm, approachable, reassuring and down-to-earth manner, particularly her empathy at difficult times where she supports clients through a difficult process. Her attention to detail and fearless advocacy contribute to successful outcomes for her clients.

Laura is also trained in collaborative law and is committed to making non-court based dispute resolution work where the circumstances are appropriate.

Away from work Laura has three children of her own, is a keen theatre-goer and enjoys pottery and keeping fit.

Memberships

Family Law Bar Association Middle Temple

Cases

21/03/2024	T (Children: Non-Disclosure)	Charles Hale KC Laura Morley	[2024] EWCA Civ 241
07/10/2015	Re J (Children) (2015)	Christopher Hames KC Private: David Williams QC Laura Morley	[2015] EWCA Civ 1019
09/07/2014	Cambra v Jones & Jones [2014]	Private: David Williams QC Christopher Hames KC Laura Morley	[2014] EWHC 2264 (Fam)