

Nicola Wallace

Nicola is impressive counsel. She is prepared, prepared, prepared. She works tirelessly and the results in her cases show that. She gives sound advice and clients respect her.

Partner, Legal 500 firm, London

Experience

Year of Call: 2006

Practice Areas

- Financial Remedies
- Private Children Law

Dispute Resolution

- Mediation

Direct Access

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Qualifications

Family Mediator

Accredited Mediator ADRg (civil and commercial)

Accredited Mediator RICS (civil and commercial)

Trainer for the Bar Council and for Resolution

Accredited Trainer for ADRg (civil and commercial mediation)

Accredited Faith Dispute Mediator (BIMA)

Panel Member ADR-ODR International

Education

2016: Harvard Law School: Advance Mediation – Mediating Complex Disputes.

2015: MSc Art Law & Business (Distinction) (Christies/University of Glasgow)

2006: Called to the Bar (Inner Temple)

1991: Admitted as a solicitor

1989: Solicitor Finals

Law Society Prize: Innes and Howard Watson Prize for Family Law

1988: BA (Hons) Law and French

1986: Diplôme Programme de Civilisation Française & Européenne Contemporaine



Appointments

Head of 4PB ADR

Profile

Having first qualified as a solicitor, Nicola has practised at the Bar since 2006.

With over 25 years of experience, Nicola's background as a lawyer enables her to build the confidence and trust of parties in order to deal effectively with a wide range of disputes. Through mediating within the most complex and intractable high net worth family financial and children disputes and international cases, Nicola has developed the highest standard of communication skills. With careful attention to detail and tenacity, Nicola facilitates optimum conditions for a successful mediation.

In litigation matters, Nicola has a keen eye for strategic evidential presentation. This serves to maximise the litigation potential. Her advice is both pragmatic and considered.

Nicola is a Family Mediator (ADR group). She is also an accredited civil and commercial mediator for the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors and is a civil and commercial Panel Member for ADR group. Nicola successfully completed the Advanced Mediation Course at Harvard Law School, June 2016.

In April 2017, Nicola was accredited as a Faith Dispute Resolution Mediator, following successful completion of a 40 hour Faith Dispute Resolution course, with BIMA Mediation.

Nicola is also a sought-after trainer. She is a regular trainer for the Bar Council and for Resolution. She has recently help facilitate Witness and Suspect training for the Police. She is author of the Bar Council's Litigation Course and Resolution Advocacy course and Excellence in Communication skills course.

Speaking and Training Engagements

February 2023: Nicola is again invited to be a judge at the 18th ICC Mediation competition, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris.

January 2023: Nicola has been invited again as Guest Lecturer in Brussels by the Royal Academy/Maastricht University for their Executive Masters in Cultural Leadership post graduate course. *"ADR in Art and Cultural matters"*.

December 2022: Nicola has been made Head of 4PB ADR Group in Chambers.

December 2022: Nicola Delivered in-house training to solicitors in Oxfordshire: *How to thrive and not just Survive in Family Law*

November 2022: Nicola delivered 3 days of bespoke advocacy training in St Helier, Jersey, to members of Jersey Family Lawyers Association.

October 2022: Nicola was keynote speaker at University College Cork, Ireland: *"I hear what you say, but what are you telling me? Understanding the language of disputes and using it to maximum advantage in Mediation."*

September 2022: Nicola Wallace was invited to deliver a workshop at the annual Family Mediators Association Conference, Kings College, London; *"The interface between Family Law & Mediation...coming out of the shadows. Diffusing and de-escalating conflict: theory and practice."*

June 2022: Nicola is delivering a one-day Mediation workshop for the University of Essex.

March 2022: Nicola has been invited again as Guest Lecturer in the Netherlands by the Royal Academy/Maastricht University for their Executive Masters in Cultural Leadership post graduate course.

February 2022: Nicola was again invited to be a judge at the 17th ICC Mediation competition, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris.

November 2021: Nicola was a panel member for Bar Council Complaints seminar.

May 2021: Nicola delivered her one-day course Using Words Well for Resolution at their annual conference.

February 2021: Nicola was again invited to be a judge at the 16th ICC Mediation competition, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris.

November 2020: Nicola was a panel member for Bar Council Complaints seminar.

February 2020: Nicola was again invited to be a judge at the 15th ICC Mediation competition, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris.

January 2020: Nicola was invited as Guest Lecturer in Brussels by the Royal Academy/Maastricht University for their Executive Masters in Cultural Leadership course, The role of Alternative Dispute Resolution in Art and Cultural Disputes.

November 2019: Nicola delivered a workshop Using Words Well at Resolution DR conference, Nottingham.

September 2019: Nicola delivered 4 days of in-house advocacy training in Newcastle Upon Tyne.

February 2019: Nicola has again been invited to be a judge at the 14th ICC Mediation competition, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris.

June 2018: Nicola was invited as a panel member to speak about succession planning and protection of personal property and assets in divorce at the Art Business Summit, Adare Manor, Ireland.

June 2018: Nicola was invited to be part of the small team of International Lawyers, led by William Charron of Pryor Cashman LLP, New York, who have been developing a centre of excellence for Art and Heritage disputes "Court of Arbitration for Art" (CAfA) in the Hague. Nicola presented on the subject of Mediation at the launch of CAfA at the AiA Conference, The Hague.

February 2018: Nicola was invited to be a judge at the 13th ICC Mediation competition, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris.

3rd November 2017: Nicola was invited to speak as a panel member on the subject of mediation at The Art Business Summit, Dublin.

June 2017: Nicola was part of the Faculty at Harvard Law School, assisting in the delivery of the Advanced Mediation Course: Mediating Complex Disputes.

February 2017: Nicola was invited to be a judge at the 12th ICC Mediation competition, International Chamber of Commerce, Paris.

November 2016: 21st Ius Commune Congress, Maastricht University: 'The role of Mediation in Art &

Heritage Disputes’.

November 2016: As part of Art Resolve, Nicola presented ‘Mediation in Art and Heritage Disputes’: Art Law conference, Sotheby’s Institute.

November 2016: Nicola presented ‘Mediation – Managing the Litigation Risk’: Art Law conference, K & Gates LLP.

March 2016: Nicola was invited again to present at the MACCH conference, Maastricht University – ‘The Role of Mediation in Art-related disputes.’

November 2015: Nicola was invited to deliver a lecture at Hague University of Applied Sciences.

Memberships

Member of the Inner Temple

Member of Art Resolve www.artresolve.org

Mediation Member of Resolution

Member of the Family Mediation Council

Accredited Bar Council Lecturer and Trainer

Accredited Resolution Lecturer and Trainer

Member Bar Council Public Access Panel

Member of Resolution Training and Learning Committee