

International Family Law Chamber

Our specialist international children law barristers have a distinguished history of providing advocacy in international family law chamber proceedings for all parties including local authorities, parents, children, CAFCASS, the Official Solicitor and international governments. Our barristers' legal expertise has been recognised in a significant number of precedent-setting cases, and our barristers attract positive comments from instructing lawyers and the judiciary in London and throughout England and Wales.

Our expert family law barristers provide:

- Advice, written and in person
- Representation and advocacy in court
- Mediation
- Collaborative law
- Early neutral evaluation

on all international children law issues relating to the international movement of children, whether international child abduction, a 'leave to remove' application to take children permanently to live abroad, international surrogacy or adoption, forced marriage abroad, or vulnerable or trafficked children.

4PB has been recognised for several years as the leading international family law barristers' chambers with the greatest number of specialists at every level in international children law, including being named as "The most experienced, specialist international children set of chambers in the country, if not the world", by Chambers & Partners.

4PB's children law barristers also have expertise in urgent cases requiring injunctions, wardship and the inherent jurisdiction of the courts. We have been regularly instructed in short-notice cases where our international family law barristers have sought emergency relief and protective measures, requiring a swift and appropriate response from the courts.

Our specialist international family law barristers regularly present to the profession and the judiciary on the subject of international family law chamber, in particular on international child abduction and on the international movement of children, in accordance with both European Union and non-European children law.

Specialist International Children Law Barristers



Charles Hale KC
Call: 1992 | Silk: 2014
Head of Chambers



Barbara Mills KC
Call: 1990 | Silk: 2020
Head of Chambers



Henry Setright KC
Call: 1979 | Silk: 2001



Alex Verdan KC
Call: 1987 | Silk: 2006



Piers Pressdee KC
Call: 1991 | Silk: 2010



Catherine Wood KC,
MCI Arb
Call: 1985 | Silk: 2011



Rex Howling KC
Call: 1991 | Silk: 2011



Teertha Gupta KC
Call: 1990 | Silk: 2012



Christopher Hames KC
Call: 1987 | Silk: 2015



Deirdre Fottrell KC
Call: 2001 | Silk: 2015



Sam King KC
Call: 1990 | Silk: 2018



Cleo Perry KC
Call: 2000 | Silk: 2020



Ruth Kirby KC
Call: 1994 | Silk: 2021



Joy Brereton KC
Call: 1990 | Silk: 2022



Michael Gratton KC
Call: 2007 | Silk: 2022



Mark Jarman KC
Call: 1989 | Silk: 2023



Judith Murray KC
Call: 1994 | Silk: 2023



Dorothea Gartland KC
Call: 2004 | Silk: 2023



Jacqueline Renton KC
Call: 2007 | Silk: 2025



Brian Jubb
Call: 1971



Fiona Munro
Call: 1986



David Bedingfield
Call: 1991



Paul Hepher
Call: 1994



Cliona Papazian
Call: 1994



Baljinder Bath
Call: 1996



Justine Johnston
Call: 1997



Mai-Ling Savage
Call: 1998



Harry Gates
Call: 2001



Rebecca Foulkes
Call: 2001



Ceri White
Call: 2002



Matthew Persson
Call: 2003



Francesca Dowse
Call: 2004



Greg Davies
Call: 2005



Laura Morley
Call: 2006



Charlotte Georges
Call: 2007



Amean Elgadhry
Call: 2008



Andrew Powell
Call: 2008



Chris Barnes
Call: 2008



Sophie Connors
Call: 2009



Michael Edwards
Call: 2010



Harry Nosworthy
Call: 2010



Julia Townend
Call: 2011



Simon Rowbotham
Call: 2011



Indu Kumar
Call: 2012



Jonathan Rustin
Call: 2013



Charlotte Baker
Call: 2014



Mani Singh Basi
Call: 2014



Rosanne Godfrey-Lockwood
Call: 2014



Harry Langford
Call: 2014



Adele Cameron-Douglas
Call: 2015



Miriam Best
Call: 2015



Emma Spruce
Call: 2017



Lucy Logan Green
Call: 2018



Ralph Marnham
Call: 2019



Clarissa Wigoder
Call: 2019



Frankie Shama
Call: 2020



Olivia Gaunt
Call: 2019



Katherine Broger-Bareham
Call: 2021



Nadia Campbell Brunton
Call: 2019



Alexandra Halliday
Call: 2022



Sir Jonathan Cohen KC
Call: 1974 | Silk: 1997



Robin Barda
Call: 1975



Dermot Main Thompson
Call: 1977



Professor Marilyn
Freeman PhD
Call: 1986



Alistair G Perkins
Call: 1986
Associate Tenant



Rachael Kelsey
Call: 1996
Associate Tenant



Alexandra Wilson
Call: 2018
Associate Tenant



Elizabeth Couch
Call: 2003