

## 4PB top ranked barristers expanding in Legal 500 2020

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4PB's member ranking in the Legal 500 expands year on year and this year is no different.

Retaining our title as the only tier 1 Children Law (Public and Private) set and dominating the top tier ranking with 50% of those ranked Leading Silk and 70% of those ranked as Leading Juniors, from 4PB.

The Legal 500 noted:

*A 'first-rate set of chambers', 4 Paper Buildings is 'without question, the go-to set for children matters', according to clients. The set has 'great strength in depth, a very good range of barristers at different levels of call, from hugely experienced QCs to extremely talented juniors, meaning it will always have a barrister who fits each client's needs'. Alex Verdan QC, Sam King QC, Andrew Powell, Cleo Perry, and Michael Edwards have been acting in the Independent Inquiry into child sexual abuse, the large public inquiry set to have huge implications on the way institutions deal with allegations of abuse. The set has many 'excellent' barristers including Prof Jo Delahunty QC who 'dominates every case she is in' and Teertha Gupta QC who is 'a smooth, engaging, and highly persuasive advocate with a strong following'. Charles Hale QC is 'outstanding' and 'judges really listen to Henry Setright QC because he invariably knows more on the subject than they do'.*

Jo Delahunty QC – 'Is extremely well respected by judges and is a real force to be reckoned with.'

Teertha Gupta QC – 'Is never flustered and instils great confidence in clients.'

Charles Hale QC – 'Forms strong relationships with clients and immediately puts them at ease.'

Henry Setright QC – 'The most intelligent and tactical counsel.'

Alex Verdan QC – 'Deserves all the plaudits that he gets.'

Joy Brereton – 'Knows every detail of her cases and is a formidable presence in court.'

Dorothea Gartland – 'Is understated and polite in her advocacy which hides the deadly questions.'

Michael Gration – 'Is an extremely able advocate who is able to win cases with his authoritative and persuasive advocacy.'

Justine Johnston – 'Is a ferocious advocate. She has the full confidence of her clients and instructing solicitors.'

Barbara Mills – ‘ Is wholly reliable and a silk in the making. ’

Judith Murray – ‘ An exceptional negotiator and a formidable advocate. ’

Jacqueline Renton – ‘ A confident and fierce advocate. ’

Chambers also retained its Tier 2 ranking for Family (including Divorce and Financial Remedy).

4PB’s full Legal 500 profile can be found [here](#).