

Clarissa Wigoder

Experience

Year of Call: 2019

Practice Areas

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



Education

City Law School: Graduate Diploma in Law and Bar Professional Training Course

Harvard University: Human Development, Psychology and Child Advocacy, M.Ed

University of Oxford: Experimental Psychology, BA (First Class Honours)

Profile

Clarissa joined chambers as a tenant in October 2020 after successful completion of her pupillage under Nicholas Fairbank, Sally Bradley, and Jacqueline Renton.

Clarissa is developing a practice across all of chambers' core areas, including public, private and international children cases and proceedings for financial remedies. She was recently led by Cyrus Larizadeh QC in a 2-week fact finding involving allegations of non-accidental injury and complex medical evidence. She has assisted in training expert witnesses at the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health.

Before joining chambers, Clarissa was a Director of the School Exclusion Project. She provided pro bono representation for parents at appeal hearings. She also volunteered with the National Centre for Domestic Violence, drafting applications for injunctive relief for victims of domestic abuse.

Clarissa spent a year at Harvard studying the relationship between adverse childhood experiences, neural development, and the experience of children in the justice system. She subsequently won the Bar Council's Law Reform essay prize, arguing for removal of the "reasonable punishment" defence to common assault of children.

In her spare time, Clarissa enjoys reading, live music, and trying out new recipes.

Memberships

The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn

Family Law Bar Association

Cases

30/03/2021	Re H-N and Others (Children) (Domestic Abuse: Finding of fact hearings)	Christopher Hames QC Charlotte Baker Jo Delahunty QC Chris Barnes Charles Hale QC Adele Cameron-Douglas Rebecca Foulkes Miriam Best Teertha Gupta QC Matthew Persson Clarissa Wigoder Mark Jarman Michael Gration Barbara Mills QC Joy Brereton Emma Spruce	[2021] EWCA Civ 448
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