

Early Neutral Evaluation/Private FDRs

4PB's senior barristers offer Early Neutral Evaluation/Private FDRs to assist those involved in a family law dispute to understand the likely impact of different factors on the processes of a family court, and to gain an indication of what the outcome of court proceedings might be. This may raise the likelihood of a settlement and avoid a final court hearing.

- Early neutral evaluation is available for finance and property disputes (where it might be termed 'Private FDR') and for children issues.
 - When all the relevant evidence is available, it is sent to the senior family law barrister conducting the early neutral evaluation for review.
 - Both people involved and their legal representatives meet the senior barrister who will evaluate and explain the respective merits of each person's case, and suggest what the court might decide on the evidence.
 - The senior barrister acting as an early neutral evaluator has no power to decide what should happen next - that decision remains with the people involved, advised by their legal teams.
 - The evaluation procedure is confidential, cost-effective and promotes settlement in family law matters. even when the dispute is at an advanced stage.
- If you would like more information about how early neutral evaluation by a senior family law barrister at 4PB could assist you or your client, please contact our clerks, on 0207 427 5200.

Specialist Early Neutral Evaluation/FDRs 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



Michael Sternberg KC
Call: 1975 | Silk: 2008



Piers Pressdee KC
Call: 1991 | Silk: 2010



Catherine Wood KC
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



Alison Grief KC
Call: 1990 | Silk: 2015



Cyrus Larizadeh KC
Call: 1992 | Silk: 2016



Judith Murray KC
Call: 1994 | Silk: 2023



Dorothea Gartland KC
Call: 2004 | Silk: 2023



Stephen Lyon
Call: 1987



David Bedingfield
Call: 1991



Nicholas Fairbank
Call: 1996



Rebecca Foulkes
Call: 2001



Harry Gates
Call: 2001



Katie Wood
Call: 2001



Rhiannon Lloyd
Call: 2002



Kate Van Rol
Call: 2002



Anita Mehta
Call: 2002



Francesca Dowse
Call: 2004



Samantha Woodham
Call: 2006



Henry Clayton
Call: 2007



Sophie Connors
Call: 2009



Rachel Chisholm
Call: 2010



Jonathan Evans
Call: 2010



Julia Townend
Call: 2011