

Hassan Khan

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Chambers & Partners 2018

Experience

Year of Call: 1999

Practice Areas

- Inquests and Inquiries
- International Children Law
- Private Children Law
- Public Children Law

Dispute Resolution

- Arbitration

Direct Access

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Awards



Education

University of Liverpool LLB (Hons) 1998

Languages

Urdu

Appointments

Arbitrator (CI Arb)

Legally Qualified Chair – Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service

Legal Adviser – General Dental Council

Attorney General Counsel (B Panel)



Profile

Hassan is an experienced family barrister. He also undertakes general civil work, particularly Inquests, for the Government Legal Department and sits on a number of Professional Discipline Panels. He also sits as a Children's Arbitrator. His Arbitration profile can be obtained from the Clerks.

In 2013 Hassan won Jordan Publishing Family Junior Barrister of the Year Award

He has expertise in cases involving applications for child arrangements orders after separation or divorce, including issues relating to parental responsibility such as change of name; medical treatment; schooling; holiday and relocation disputes. His work often involves disputed cases of shared care, intractable contact cases and issues of parental alienation.

His cases frequently involve an international element, including child abduction and permission to temporarily or permanently remove children from England and Wales.

Hassan has a strong practice working for alternative families. This includes surrogacy cases where intended parents, straight or gay, commission surrogates either in this country or in other countries such as the USA and India. He has dealt with celebrity and high profile surrogacy clients and successfully obtained the necessary English parental orders they required. He is often instructed in so called co-parenting arrangements, for example, when disputes arise as to the role each adult should play in a child's life. In 2014, Hassan was recognised for his work in this area when the National LGBT Bar Association & Interlaw Diversity Forum awarded him a prize for his outstanding contribution and commitment to LGBT equality.

He has considerable experience with international cases, for example where a child has been abducted or a young person has been or is about to be forced into marriage. In fact he conducted one of the first forced marriage applications in the UK for Dr Abedin, a 33 year old GP who had been forced to marry in Bangladesh. This received widespread press coverage, following which Hassan was interviewed by the BBC World News as to whether forced marriage should be criminalised.

Memberships

Family Law Bar Association (FLBA)
Lincolns Inn

Recommendations

"Hassan has a very personable and down to earth approach and gives sound, realistic and robust advice. He provides practical solutions where appropriate and will strongly present his client's case in court when required. Above all he is always focused on the specific needs and preferences of his individual clients, and the welfare of the children involved."

Karan Chadha, Associate Solicitor at Freemans Solicitors

Directories

Experienced children law junior who handles a wide range of private children law cases. He is noted for his strength in matters relating to wardship, surrogacy and enforcement among other areas. He also has notable experience in cases concerning sexual abuse.

Strengths: "Fierce in court and well prepared." "Well known in the alternative family world. He is the type of barrister who can read the client and adjust his style accordingly."

Chambers & Partners, 2021

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Strengths: "He's very clever and he's got a really good sense of tactics and strategy."

Chambers and Partners 2020

Experienced children law junior who handles a wide range of private children law cases. He is noted for his strength in matters relating to wardship, surrogacy and cross-border child abduction among other areas.

Strengths: "He is always calm, and a great strategist." "Always up for a scrap yet charming and persuasive with it."

Recent work: Successfully represented a mother who sought committal of a father to prison for retaining a child in Nigeria for 4 years. The father received 15 months' imprisonment.

Chambers & Partners 2019

Experienced children law junior who handles a wide range of private children law cases. He is noted for his strength in matters relating to wardship, stranded spouses and cross-border child abduction among other areas.

Strengths: "He knows exactly how strong to be in his advocacy and when he should ease up to get the best result for the client. He knows his audience and what they expect from him."

Chambers & Partners 2018

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Strengths: "A real fighter and a high-quality advocate. He combines charm with great knowledge of the law."

Chambers & Partners 2017

Specialises in a broad range of fields within private children law work. These include cross-border issues such as abduction and international adoption as well as surrogacy and forced marriages.

Strengths: "He is a delight to instruct. He is very knowledgeable and has an excellent manner with both clients and solicitors. He gives sensible and practical advice. He is approachable, responds quickly and shows genuine enthusiasm and a clear commitment to his work."

Chambers & Partners 2016

Manages a strong practice dealing principally with private law children matters, including surrogacy and parental authority cases.

Expertise: "Immensely helpful and very approachable."

Chambers & Partners 2015

Enjoys a fine reputation for his work in cross-jurisdiction children matters, particularly those concerning child abduction, surrogacy and forced marriage.

Expertise: "I use him a lot for cases with complex issues; he sits down and gives 100% effort and dedication. He is good to work with and really approachable."

Chambers & Partners 2014

Hassan Khan specialises in international children matters, and is particularly noted by sources for his

work in surrogacy cases. Other areas of focus include cases concerning child abduction, forced marriage, adoption and stranded spouses.

Chambers and Partners 2013

Hassan Khan is an up-and-coming junior whose practice is expected to rise in prominence. Sources note that he is carving out a niche in international child abduction and surrogacy, and that he “really cares passionately for his client.”

Chambers and Partners 2012

Cases

20/12/2017	Re M (Children) (2017)	Jane Rayson Andrew Powell Hassan Khan	[2017] EWCA Civ 2164
19/09/2017	Egeneonu v Egeneonu (2017)	Hassan Khan Charlotte Baker	[2017] EWHC 2336 (Fam)
29/06/2017	M (Children) (2017)	Private: David Williams QC Hassan Khan	[2017] EWCA Civ 891
14/09/2016	Case L (Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 2008)	Hassan Khan	[2016] EWHC 2266 (Fam)
09/08/2016	Re M (Children) (2016)	Christopher Hames QC Hassan Khan	[2016] EWCA Civ 942
26/05/2016	HH v SH sub nom Re H (Jurisdiction) (2016)	Hassan Khan Paul Hopher	[2016] EWHC 1252 (Fam)
04/02/2016	In the matter of B (A child) [2016]	Private: David Williams QC Henry Setright QC Alistair G Perkins Michael Gratton Dorothea Gartland Michael Edwards Hassan Khan	[2016] UKSC 4
14/07/2015	Re K (1980 Hague Convention) (Lithuania) (2015)	Private: David Williams QC Christopher Hames QC Hassan Khan	[2015] EWCA Civ 720
29/01/2015	JB v (1) KS (2) E (a child acting by his Children’s Guardian) (2015)	Hassan Khan	[2015] EWHC 180 (Fam)
15/08/2014	P v (1) D (2) X (3) Y (4) Z (2014)	Teertha Gupta QC Sam King QC Hassan Khan Andrew Powell	[2014] EWHC 2355 (Fam)
01/04/2014	RE G & M (2014)	Hassan Khan	[2014] EWHC 1561 (Fam)
09/10/2013	Re W [2013]	Hassan Khan	[2013] EWHC 3570 (Fam)

09/09/2013	In the matter of A (Children) (2013)	Alex Verdan QC Baroness Scotland QC Alistair G Perkins Hassan Khan Michael Gration Jacqueline Renton Rachel Chisholm	[2013] UKSC 60
02/04/2013	SK v (1) HD (2) SD (3) UD (4) MD (5) FD (2013)	Ruth Kirby QC Hassan Khan	[2013] EWHC 796 (Fam); [2014] Fam Law 22
24/01/2013	Re C (A Child) (2013)	Henry Setright QC Hassan Khan	AC9401262
24/01/2013	C (A Child) [2013]	Henry Setright QC Hassan Khan	[2013] EWCA Civ 204
23/01/2013	Re H (A Child) & The United Mexican States (Intervener) (2013)	Henry Setright QC Teertha Gupta QC Hassan Khan	AC9501919
26/11/2012	VK v JV [2012]	Christopher Hames QC Hassan Khan	[2013] 2 FLR 237; [2012] EWHC 4033 (Fam)
19/01/2011	Re A (A Child) (No.2) (2011)	Hassan Khan	[2011] 1 FLR 1817 : [2011] 1 FCR 141 : [2011] Fam Law 365 : [2011] EWCA Civ 12
14/12/2010	In The Matter of A (A Child) (2010)	Hassan Khan	[2010] EWCA Civ 1413
25/11/2010	Re K (A Child) (2010)	Hassan Khan	[2010] EWCA Civ 1546
29/01/2009	K v K (2009)	Private: David Williams QC Hassan Khan	[2009] EWHC 132 (Fam)
22/07/2008	Re F (Abduction: Removal outside jurisdiction)	Hassan Khan	[2008] EWCA Civ 854
20/06/2008	Re E (Abduction: Intolerable Situation)	Henry Setright QC Private: Marcus Scott-Manderson QC Private: David Williams QC Hassan Khan Rebecca Foulkes	2008] EWHC 2112 (Fam); [2009] 2 FLR 485
17/03/2008	Re T (Abduction: Rights of Custody) (2008)	Henry Setright QC Private: Marcus Scott-Manderson QC Hassan Khan Rebecca Foulkes	[2008] 2 FLR 1794; [2008] EWHC 809 (Fam)