



Rachel is an experienced Family Law practitioner, representing parents, children and Local Authorities in Public and Private Family Law proceedings.

Before being called to the Bar, Rachel qualified as a solicitor in 2009 and practiced for 9 years specialising in Public Family Law, undertaking extensive advocacy as a solicitor. Rachel was awarded Higher Rights of Audience by the Law Society before transferring to the Bar and joining chambers in August 2018. Rachel is thus a dual qualified practitioner, remaining on the roll of solicitors but now practising as a barrister.

Rachel has considerable experience working on cases that include complex and conflicting medical evidence, allegations of sexual abuse, fabricated or induced illness, non-accidental injury and domestic abuse.

She also represents parties in high conflict private law cases involving parental alienation, domestic violence and contact disputes, often requiring fact-finding hearings.

Rachel accepts instructions through Direct Access.

'Rachel is a wonderful advocate, very knowledgeable and good with the clients. She will spend time explaining to the clients what is happening, evaluating the evidence and assisting inside the courtroom and outside.'

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"Rachel is very competent and thorough in her approach and in particular she examines and analyses all available courses of action. She has a good rapport with clients and is very empathetic and client focused."

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## Children (Public Law)

Rachel has 11 years' experience as a Public Family law practitioner. She represents parents, Local Authorities and Guardians in Public Law proceedings working on cases concerning non accidental injury, sexual abuse, domestic violence, neglect, fabricated or induced illness, secure accommodation, Re W hearings, and s38(6) applications.

## Children (Private Law)

Rachel acts for Applicants and Respondents at all stages of private law proceedings including applications for Child Arrangement Orders, Specific Issue Orders and Prohibited Steps Orders.

# **Domestic Violence & Injunctions**

Rachel represents parties in injunctive proceedings including applications for Non Molestation Orders and Occupation Orders, and where allegations of serious domestic violence or abuse have been made

### **Financial Remedies**

Rachel advises and represents parties at all stages of financial remedy disputes, including enforcement of final orders.

## **Direct Access**

Rachel accept Direct Access instructions

#### **Appointments**

• Treasurer of the Sussex Family Justice Board.

#### Education

- University of Law, Higher Rights of Audience 2017
- University of Law, Legal Practice Course 2005
- LLB Law (Hons) 2003