

Jennie Smith

Barrister

Overview

Experienced in public and private family law matters, with a particular focus on cases involving vulnerable adults. Regularly acts for local authorities and parents. Also manages a substantial caseload of finance work, including ancillary relief and cohabitation disputes. - Chambers and Partners 2018

“Good at high net worth money cases.” “I would instruct her if I wanted someone to rigorously present a case.” Chambers and Partners 2017

Family – public law

Jennie specialises in all aspects of public law work, regularly appearing in both County Court and High Court matters. Experienced in representing the Local Authority, parents (both directly and through the Official Solicitor), extended family, intervenors and Children’s Guardians. Takes a particular interest in representing vulnerable adults. Experienced in Court of Protection matters.

Family – private law

Experienced in both the County Court and High Court representing parents, extended family and Rule 9.5 Guardians. Covers all private law applications at all stages. Regularly appears in cases involving allegations of domestic violence and sexual and physical abuse. Recently concluded a High Court matter involving complex foreign domicile and jurisdictional issues.

Matrimonial finance and cohabitation disputes

Conducts all stages of ancillary relief proceedings in both the County Court and the High Court representing both publicly and privately-funded clients. Has experience of high net worth cases, analysis of business accounts and agricultural/farming issues. High Court cases have included foreign domicile and jurisdictional issues, freezing/Mareva injunctions and hidden assets. Regularly advises and represents in TOLATA claims and claims under Schedule 1 of the Children Act 1989.



Year Of Call:

2002

Practice Areas

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Recommendations:



LEADING BARRISTER

Experienced in public and private family law matters, with a particular focus on cases involving vulnerable adults.

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS 2018

Notable Cases

Serious allegations of sexual abuse;

Fractures and head injuries;

Severe domestic violence;

Complex cultural issues;

Severe learning difficulties.

Professional Qualifications

Nottingham Law School (BVC)

University of East Anglia (LLB)

Inner Temple bursary
award 2001

Duke of Edinburgh Entrance
Scholarship 2001
