

Crispin Oliver

Barrister

Overview

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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Inquests
- Judicial Review
- Family Finance and Tolata specialist

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Whilst Crispin's main area of practice is that of Family Finance and Tolata, he was appointed Deputy Coroner for County Durham in 2011. This appointment continues to enhance his existing knowledge and experience as an advocate within the coroner's Court.

His substantial practice with family finance and Tolata and also difficult residence and contact disputes gains him recommendation within the Legal Directory 'Chambers and People' His particular interests are high value Matrimonial Finance, Alternative Dispute Resolution including Collaborative law, Intractable Contact Disputes, Property Disputes between Cohabitees, Civil Partnership, Financial applications under schedule 1 of the Children Act 1989.

Crispin provides advice within his specialised area in all aspects of Judicial Review.



Year Of Call:

1990

Practice Areas

[Alternative Dispute Resolution](#)

[Arbitration](#)

[Court of Protection and Mental Health](#)

[Divorce and Domestic Violence](#)

[Export Determination](#)

[Family](#)

[Family Finance](#)

[Public and Private Law Children](#)

[Regulatory](#)

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Notable Cases

M –v– M – (Contempt: Committal) [1997] 1 FLR 762

Re Y – (Evidence of Abuse: Use of Photographs) [2004] 1 FLR 855

Re S – (adoption by separated couple) is shortly to be reported in FLR (2013/2014)

Directory
Recommendations:



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Directory Recommendations

Chambers and Partners UK Bar 2020

"He provides very good-quality advice and is easy to work with." "He's very empathetic with clients, listens to them and understands what they want. He is also good in court and the judges listen."

Chambers and Partners UK Bar 2019

"A skilled advocate who is very good in the courtroom and in negotiations. He is also very approachable for clients." "Extremely thorough and conscientious."

The Legal 500 2019

He has a great bedside manner with clients.'

Chambers and Partners 2018

"He is well prepared, thoughtful and has a wonderful client manner."

"He is excellent. He pays keen attention to detail and is very strong on finance work particularly. His technical knowledge is very good and he is very good in court in terms of cross-examination. Clients like him."

The Legal 500 2017

"Very experienced in financial cases arising from divorce and separation."

Chambers and Partners UK Bar 2017

"Very experienced, he picks things up quickly and is good at getting into the subtleties of the case." "In a complicated case, he knew which areas to focus on and was very easy to work with. We were so glad to have him on board."

The Legal 500 2016

"He has great attention to detail and is able to come up with creative solutions."

Chambers and Partners UK Bar 2016

"He is a really seasoned performer with excellent court craft."

The Legal 500 2015

"He has a particular strength in understanding small, family-run businesses."

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Memberships:

North Eastern Circuit

Family Law Bar Association

Resolution

Collaborative law

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Inquest Lawyers Group

Coroners` Society of England and Wales

Northern Coroners` Society

Medico-Legal Society
