DERE STREET BARRISTERS

Frazer McDermott

Barrister

Overview

Frazer joined the Bar in 2004 having spent 16 successful years as a solicitor, advocate and family mediator practicing both in the south of England and the north east. His practice was predominantly family work and he came to the Bar with specialisms in child care, high value ancillary relief work and international child abduction. He was for a number of years a member of the Law Society Children Panel and whilst a solicitor set up a local family mediation service.

Since joining chambers he has built up a busy practice of care and matrimonial finance work and has regularly been instructed by a large number of local authorities, solicitors and guardians. He is generally regarded as a safe pair of hands and as someone with a high level of client care and empathy. He is instructed by the Official Solicitor. He appears frequently in the High Court and County Court dealing with care and adoption work. He has often appeared in the Court of Appeal. He was described by Munby J in a multi handed care case of significant complexity as 'one of a team of highly dedicated professionals' and as 'skilled dedicated and caring'.

He has dealt with cases involving complex medical issues, infants with multiple injuries as well as death, and regularly represents parents with mental health problems.

He deals with all areas of matrimonial finance cases. He has dealt extensively with high value ancillary relief work and cases involving companies and family assets.

Frazer accepts instructions in all aspects of family work from across the north of England.

Notable Cases

Re M -W (a child):

(care order) 2010 EWCA Civ 12 (Court of Appeal)

Re D (children) 2008:

EWHC 1306 Fam

Council of the Borough of North Tyneside v S & others 2007:

EWHC 393 CA (Court of Appeal)



Year Of Call:

2004

Practice Areas

<u>Divorce and</u> Domestic Violence

Family Finance

Professional Qualifications

LLB (Hons) Northumbria University 1982 - 1986

Memberships

Solicitor of Supreme Court England and Wales

Qualified family mediator and member of UK College of Family Mediators

NE Circuit member

Family Law Bar Association



