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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Children Act

Gemma is regularly instructed by parents, grandparents and children in cases involving complex issues of fact or law, in particular domestic violence (current or historic). Well known for her conscientious approach to client care, Gemma's clients can expect to be guided through the litigation process at every stage.

Gemma has appeared in the High Court (including the Royal Courts of Justice) in serious and complex wardship, abduction and deprivation of liberty cases.

Injunctions

Things happen quickly and unexpectedly in family proceedings and Gemma makes herself available to solicitors and clients to provide advice on the making of and merits of non-molestation orders and occupation orders. She has vast experience of prosecuting and defending these applications at Court and is commended for her thorough approach.

PROFILE OVERVIEW

A robust and principled barrister, since her call to the bar in 2010 Gemma has cultivated a busy practice in both family and civil matters.

Dealing regularly with issues involving children and finance on divorce Gemma is able to provide clients with a fully rounded service from start to finish.

She is experienced in all stages of litigation from first appointment / directions hearings through to contested final hearings.

She is happy to accept instructions to advise on paper or by phone and regularly attends ex-parte hearings on short notice.

Gemma is qualified to accept instructions direct from the public. This can assist professional clients where conflicts of interest or funding problems arise.

TESTIMONIALS

"Also just like to add how great Miss Thomas was today. The court were proposing a slower progression of the contact despite the Cafcass recommendations and I feel Miss Thomas' final submission before their decision made them reconsider..."

"I just want to add our personal thanks for your hard work in getting the judgement Nicholas deserved."

"I love your approach to cases, pragmatic and clients love you. But like most good things, very in demand"

"A very strong and robust barrister. I never thought I would get my contact at my first hearing but Miss Thomas fought hard in court to obtain a brilliant outcome"

"I was facing serious allegations in a finding of fact. I thought the court wouldn't see through the lies. When Miss Thomas started to cross examine my ex I was relieved that it started to show how much he had been lying to the Court. I was cleared of all the findings and now having regular contact with my daughter. I cant thank Miss Thomas enough for the excellent work and attention to detail. Thank you". D



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Financial Remedy

Gemma accepts instructions to advise spouses in relation to their financial settlement during the divorce process. This may be in conference at the outset of the claim, maintenance pending suit applications, section 37 applications, variations, enforcement and of course final hearings. She adopts a pragmatic approach to cases and is a strong negotiator. Gemma's background in civil litigation compliments her family practice and means she is called on to advise and represent cohabiting couples in TOLATA claims and to draft pre and post nuptial agreements.

TESTIMONIALS

"Thank you again Miss Thomas, I really do appreciate everything you have done. From putting me at ease at the first conference to reigning me back when I needed it. I cannot thank you enough"

"I had Gemma as my main support through an awful time. Gemma was faced with things that she had never had to deal with in her career as did the family judge. However, she would take the issues home spend time researching the issue and each time put forward the best approach for my outcome. She has been understanding with my autism and allowed communication to be easier for me. She was always willing to advise me and always responded to my query's quickly and effectively would highly recommend for family services."