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Olivia Gaunt

Experience Year of Call: 2019

Practice Areas

- Court of Protection Vulnerable Adult
- Financial Remedies
- International Children Law
- Private Children Law
- Public Children Law



Education

BPP University: Bar Professional Training Course - Very Competent (2019)

BPP University: Graduate Diploma in Law - Distinction (2018)

University of Cambridge: Human, Social and Political Sciences, BA – 2.1 (2017)

Profile

Olivia is rapidly building a busy practice across all areas of family law, having joined chambers as a tenant in October 2022 following the successful completion of her pupillage.

Olivia appears regularly in the High Court, Family Court and before Lay Justices. Olivia has conducted appeals in the High Court and the Court of Appeal, and she has appeared both led and unled.

Olivia is a co-author of 'The Brief', a monthly financial remedies update published in the Family Law Journal.

Olivia was shortlisted for 'Young Barrister of the Year' at the 2024 Family Law Awards.

Prior to commencing pupillage, Olivia worked as a paralegal in the Divorce and Family department at Stewarts for over a year, where she assisted on high-net-worth financial remedies matters and private children law matters.

Olivia previously volunteered with the Personal Support Unit (now Support Through Court), with the National Centre for Domestic Violence and with the Schools Consent Project.

Family Finance

Olivia is regularly instructed at all stages of financial remedy proceedings. Olivia has experience of cases involving a range of complex issues, such as issues relating to the beneficial ownership of assets,

material non-disclosure and non-compliance. Olivia has experience of advising in relation to the validity and recognition of a marriage.

Private Children Law

Olivia represents local authorities, parents and children at all stages of care proceedings, in cases involving domestic abuse, and drug and alcohol misuse. Olivia also has experience of applications for the deprivation of liberty of a minor.

International Children Law

Olivia appears in the High Court in child abduction matters both pursuant to the 1980 Hague Convention and the inherent jurisdiction, at all stages of proceedings. Olivia has experience of 'stranded spouse' cases.

Public Children Law

Olivia represents local authorities, parents and children at all stages of care proceedings, in cases involving domestic abuse, and drug and alcohol misuse. Olivia also has experience of applications for the deprivation of liberty of a minor.

Memberships

The Honourable Society of The Inner Temple FLBA

Cases

27/11/2024	R & Anor v A (by her litigation friend, The Official Solicitor) & Anor	Andrew Powell Olivia Gaunt	[2024] EWFC 341
24/07/2024	E, F And G (Interim Child Arrangements)	Christopher Hames KC Olivia Gaunt	[2024] EWCA Civ 874
17/01/2024	XZR (Abduction: Hague Convention (Lithuania)), Re	Harry Langford Olivia Gaunt	[2024] EWHC 64 (Fam)