

# Z (A Child) (DOLS: Lack of Secure Placement)

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## **Barristers**

Chris Stevenson  
Sam King KC  
Chris Barnes

## **Court**

High Court

## **Practice Areas**

Public Children Law

The High Court considered the Local Authority's application for an order authorising the deprivation of a young person's liberty, noting the lack of appropriate secure placements at a time of social emergency during the Covid-19 Pandemic. Chris acted for the father, who - together with the mother - sought to discharge the ICO and have the young person returned to the parents' care. Judd J, noting the parents' anguish, nevertheless concluded that the young person's safety required that they be made subject to a DOL order.

To read the full judgment, please click [here](#).

## **Permission**

