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Susannah Burley

Experience Year of Call: 2022



Qualifications

Law LLB, LLM, BTC

Education

University of Bristol – Law LLB – 2017-2020 – First Class BPP University – BTC and LLM – 2020-2021 – Distinction

Profile

Susannah joined Chambers as a tenant in October 2024 following the successful completion of her pupillage under the supervision of Katharine Bundell, Michael Edwards and Greg Davies.

Susannah is gaining experience in and accepts instructions across every aspect of Chambers' practice areas.

Susannah was recently accepted onto the Government Legal Department's Junior Junior Scheme.

Prior to Undertaking Pupillage, Susannah worked as a Family paralegal in a Surrey Law Firm for over 2 years, working on Financial Remedy and Private Child Law Cases, where she developed her experience and interest in these areas.

Previously Susannah has undertaken Pro Bono work through Law Clinic's and charities, advising clients who are going through Family proceedings, dealing with issues surrounding housing and benefits and has also supported families during inquests.

Private Children Law

Susannah is regularly instructed to represent, mothers, fathers and interveners in private child law

proceedings for child arrangements orders, specific issue orders and prohibited steps orders. She has regularly undertaken contentious cases and has been praised for her ability to negotiate and narrow the issues between parties outside of court.

Family Finance

Susannah is adept in financial remedy matters having gained much experience in this area throughout her legal career. She is meticulous in her preparation and has the ability to negotiate and advocate with equal vigour.

International Child Law

Susannah has appeared in the High Court and has undertaken private law proceedings which include an international element. Susannah practices in international children law with a particular interest in leave to remove and relocation cases.

Public Children Law

Susannah accepts instructions from both Local Authorities and parents in public child law proceedings. She has been instructed to act for vulnerable clients and is known for her supportive approach.

Inquest and Inquiries

Susannah has a keen interest in inquests and public enquiries. She is currently a member of the Government Legal Department's JJ Panel.

Prior to joining the Bar, Susannah has undertaken several pro bono cases supporting families who are going through inquests. Susannah has also undertaken bereavement training through her volunteer work, allowing her to sensitively support her client's through difficult proceedings.

Memberships

Honourable Society of Middle Temple Family Law Bar Association Women in Family Law