

4PB Welcomes Deirdre Fottrell KC to chambers

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4PB is delighted to announce that Deirdre Fottrell KC, has joined chambers with immediate effect. Deirdre needs almost no introduction; specialising in children law, she is very highly regarded at the family bar. Deirdre also sits as a Deputy High Court Judge.

Deirdre practices primarily in private law children work representing high net worth individuals. She is regularly instructed in cases with an international element including abduction, relocation and adoption. She is a leading practitioner in surrogacy, assisted reproduction and in cases where issues of legal parentage arise. Deirdre is a highly experienced appellate counsel and is regularly instructed in the Court of Appeal, and she has appeared in the Supreme Court and the Privy Council. She is also instructed in complex public law cases in the High Court and Court of Appeal.

Clients describe Deirdre as *"a considered advocate, whose submissions are both elegant and completely crushing"*.

"Deirdre probes all angles of a legal argument. She is pragmatic and always looking for a sensible solution to help her clients".

Deirdre is ranked as a "Star Individual" in Chambers and Partners, 2024

In a joint statement, Heads of Chambers, Charles Hale KC and Barbara Mills KC, said,

"We are delighted that Deirdre has chosen to join us and continue her stellar practice at 4PB. Many of her clients are existing clients of 4PB, and well known to our clerking team. Her joining takes the number of leading family silks to an extraordinary 25. We are immensely proud of the strength, depth and quality of service that we can provide".

Deirdre said, *"I am very pleased to join 4PB which has a well-earned reputation as the leading set in the field of children law. The set is known for the depth and strength of its talented practitioners across international and domestic children law. I look forward to working with junior and senior colleagues and to the next chapter in my career"*.

To learn more about Deirdre Fottrell's practice, [click here](#).

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