

Jonathan Evans

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Experience

Year of Call: 2010

Practice Areas

- Financial Remedies
- Private Children Law
- Public Children Law

Direct Access

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Education

BPP (2009-10) – Bar Vocational Course – Very Competent

City Law School (2008-9) – Graduate Diploma in Law – Commendation

University of Nottingham (2005-08) – Joint BA Hons, Ancient History and History

Profile

Jonathan's practice focuses particularly on disputes following separation and divorce, both financial and about children, including matters such as where the children will live, how often they will see the parent with whom they don't live, schooling, health matters and relocations.

He also has a busy practice in international children law, regularly appearing in the High Court in child abduction proceedings, both Hague and non-Hague and wardship proceedings. Jonathan has particular expertise in 'stranded spouse' cases and is instructed for parents in leave to remove applications to both Hague and non-Hague countries.

Children's arrangements

Jonathan is a calm, assured advocate and adviser and is experienced at representing parents in disputes about what is best for the children after divorce or separation, whether domestic or international, and no matter how intractable the dispute. He has also represented children's guardians in particularly difficult cases.

Financial remedies

Jonathan also advises and represents clients in court applications about the financial consequences of divorce and separation, including those with a foreign aspect, emergency injunctions and complex assets. He has appeared at all levels of court, including the Court of Appeal and has a particular interest in jurisdictional disputes. He also has a growing reputation in acting for parents making financial



applications for children under Schedule 1, and cohabitants' claims.

International Children

Jonathan regularly represents both applicants and respondents in child abduction proceedings both under the Hague Convention and in cases involving non-Hague countries. He has wide experience of wardship proceedings, including cases involving a 'stranded spouse' and is regularly instructed in leave to remove applications to both Hague and non-Hague countries.

Domestic abuse proceedings

Jonathan has experience of representing both those subjected to and those facing allegations of domestic abuse in proceedings for protective orders under the Family Law Act.

In his spare time, Jonathan enjoys playing and watching most sports, particularly cricket and football. He also plays the bassoon.

Memberships

Family Law Bar Association

Directories

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Cases

16/12/2024	P (A Child) (Abduction: Child's Objections)	Christopher Hames KC Jacqueline Renton KC Jonathan Evans	[2024] EWCA Civ 1569
18/12/2023	EC v BM	Christopher Hames KC Michael Gration KC Jonathan Evans Mani Singh Basi	[2023] EWHC 3237
09/02/2022	RS v AM – Re C (Abduction: Article 13(b) & Child's Objections)	Christopher Hames KC Henry Setright KC Jonathan Evans	[2022] EWHC 311 (Fam)
21/02/2020	K (Forced Marriage: Passport Order)	Henry Setright KC Deirdre Fottrell KC Jacqueline Renton KC Jonathan Evans	[2020] EWCA Civ 190
09/10/2019	Read v Panzone & Anor	Christopher Hames KC Jonathan Evans Harry Nosworthy	[2019] EWCA Civ 1662