

David Marusza

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David practises in all aspects of private family law, with particular focus on the financial aspects of divorce and relationship breakdown.

He has represented clients at all levels of the Family Court including as a junior in the Supreme Court and in the Family Division of the High Court.

He has substantial experience of acting for high net worth clients in financial remedy proceeding in cases involving in excess of £10 million worth of assets, family companies, inherited assets, and cases with an international element. David writes on the law of nuptial agreements for the Practical Law Company (Thomson Reuters).

In addition to his court practice, David has wide experience of drafting nuptial agreements, opinions, skeleton arguments and pleadings.

David is frequently instructed in both private and court-based FDR appointments and combines robust advocacy with outcome focussed negotiations in the best interests of clients.

Family Finance

David has considerable experience of acting for spouses and cohabitants in financial remedy, TOLATA and Schedule 1 cases.

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Public Law Children

David has significant experience of acting for local authorities, parents and children's guardians.

Notable Public Law Children cases

- Re A (care judgment on appeal) [2023] EWFC 84
 Appeal by local authority against dismissal of application for a care order. Appeal dismissed.
- Re C (Long term foster care or adoption) [2017] EWFC B74 (on behalf of the child)

International Family Law

Notable International Family Law cases

In the matter of A (Children) (AP) [2013] UKSC 60 reported as: A v A [2013] 1 W.L.R. 761;
 The Times 15 October 2013 (with Henry Setright QC and Edward Devereux for the father) concerning the ambit of the wardship jurisdiction in proceedings concerning the international abduction of children.

Direct Access

David is qualified to accept instructions directly from members of the public under the Direct Access Scheme in appropriate circumstances.

Publications

- Contributor, Practical Law Company (Thomson Reuters) with Douglas Allen, on nuptial agreements (to date)
- Prenup Round-up: The Latest Developments (Solicitors Journal, SJ 159/25, 30 June 2015)
- Pre-Nuptial agreements: developments since Radmacher (Family Law Week, 2012)
- Determining ownership of property between a spouse and a third party in ancillary relief proceedings -Goldstone v
 Goldstone (Family Law Week, 2011)

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Memberships

- The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn
- The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple (Ad Eundem)
- Family Law Bar Association
- · Association of Lawyers for Children

Education

- Bar Vocational Course, Cardiff University
- · GDL, City University
- MA (Cantab)
- BA (Hons) English (Cantab)

Prizes

- Wigglesworth Pupillage Scholar, Lincoln's Inn (2010)
- Lord Brougham Scholar and Hardwicke Scholar, Lincoln's Inn (2009)
- Manners Scholar of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge (2005)

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