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Call: 2001

James specialises exclusively in child related matters and is known for his thorough and constructive approach in both public and private law cases.

Prior to becoming a barrister James worked as a researcher in the House of Lords and within the Home Office

Public Law Children

James represents parents, extended family members, local authorities and children's guardians. He is regularly instructed in matters concerning neglect, mental health, substance misuse, non-accidental injury, sexual abuse and jurisdictional issues. He has considerable experience of working with vulnerable clients, intermediaries and advocacy services.

Notable Public Law Children cases

- **Re U (A Child: Deprivation of Liberty) [2024] EWHC 228 (Fam)**
Application for a deprivation of liberty order granted notwithstanding the child's extreme youth.
- **UDTQ (No Adequate Care Planning), Re[2024] EWFC 19 (B)**
Care proceedings. Placement applications for three children.
- **EBY (A Child) (Deprivation of Liberty Order: Jurisdiction) (17-year-old) [2023] EWHC 2494 (Fam)**
Application by LA for an order under inherent jurisdiction authorising the LA to deprive a 17-year-old child of her liberty.

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- **Re C (Lay Advocates) [2019] EWHC 3738 (Fam)**
- **Re D (A Child) [2017] EWHC 3075 (Fam)**

Private Law Children

James represents clients in all areas of private law children matters. He is regularly instructed in protracted and sensitive cases that can require expert assessment and separate representation of subject children.

Memberships

- FLBA

Education

- BPP Law School
- University of Southampton

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