



Sarah Hayward

Call: 2021

Sarah's practice includes all aspects of children law with a specific emphasis on international and private children law cases.

Sarah joined Chambers as a Pupil in October 2022 where she has been under the supervision of Alicia Collinson, Ruth Cabeza and Louise Potter. During pupillage, she was exposed to the full spectrum of Chambers' practice areas, particularly children law and international family law.

Sarah studied Law with European law at the University of Nottingham, during which time she presented at the House of Lords in front of a range of FTSE 100 Companies, and in Canada. She has spent time as a lecturer in law teaching Family & Child law at university level and has worked at two Legal 500 law firms, managing a busy caseload, and handling vulnerable clients.

She has previously volunteered at the Temple Legal Centre and Free Representation Unit. In these roles, Sarah managed her caseload, drafted documents, conducted client meetings, and negotiated cases on behalf of clients. Sarah's experience enables her to communicate complex issues and solutions in simple terms while maintaining a calm, professional approach.

International Family Law

Sarah is regularly instructed in international children law proceedings before the Family Division of the High Court. Sarah has a particular interest in cases that have an international element, including external relocation, and cases relating to applications for summary return under the 1980 Hague Convention. She is often briefed on cases concerning the 1980 Hague Convention, is well equipped for all stages of the process, and has experience of representing either the Applicant or the Respondent.

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Private Law Children

Sarah acts in all areas of private law disputes concerning children, including applications for internal relocation, child arrangement orders, and enforcement proceedings. Sarah has particular interest and experience in cases involving parental alienation, and has previously obtained findings of parental alienation. As a previous lecturer, Sarah is able to competently convey complex information in a meaningful way to clients in light of their capacity and understanding.

Public Law Children

Family Finance

Memberships

Family Law Bar Association

The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn

Education

BPTC (City, University of London, 2019-2020)

LLB Law with European Law, First Class Honours (University of Nottingham, 2015-2019)

Prizes

The Richard Yorke Scholarship, Gray's Inn

The Faculty Academic Excellence Prize (top 3% of graduating cohort)

The John Hooper & Co prize, highest grade in the Family Law module

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Commendation prize, highest grade in the Industrial Property module

Commendation prize, highest grade in the Intellectual Property module

Commendation prize, highest grade in the Maritime Law module

Commendation prize, placed in the top five students for final year results

Commendation prize, placed in the top five students for second-year results

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