

## Laura Moys

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Specialises in:

- Finance
- Private FDR
- Private Law Children



Laura has maintained a purposely versatile practice dealing with complex financial and private law children disputes. She is recognised for both her skill as an advocate and her ability to assist her clients to resolve difficult and emotionally-charged cases by agreement. Laura was appointed as a family Recorder (part-time Circuit Judge) in 2018.

She is an experienced private FDR judge, provides Early Neutral Evaluations in children cases, and has a keen focus on enabling parties to reach out of court solutions to a range of interrelated family problems.

### Finance

Laura's practice encompasses matrimonial finance, cohabitation disputes, applications under Schedule 1 of the Children Act 1989 and related enforcement proceedings. She is regularly instructed (both alone and as a junior to leading counsel) in cases involving business assets, trust structures, intervening parties and allegations of non-disclosure.

With [Charles Howard QC](#), Laura recently represented the applicant mother in DN v UD, securing the first ever outright award of capital to a child to purchase a home, along with

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what is believed to be the largest reported Sch 1 housing fund.

Having studied modern languages at Oxford before coming to the Bar, Laura is particularly interested in cases with an international dimension including applications made under Part III of the Matrimonial and Family Proceedings' Act 1984 and those in which jurisdiction is contested. Laura is a co-author, with [Richard Castle](#), of the Practical Law notes on financial relief after an overseas divorce. Laura is also a co-author of the practitioner textbook '1KBW on Trusts in Matrimonial Finance Proceedings', edited by [Richard Harrison QC](#).

## Reported cases

- *Tchenguiz-Imerman v Imerman* [2014] 2 F.L.R. 939
- *Tchenguiz-Imerman v Imerman (Application for Joinder)* [2014] 1 F.L.R. 865
- *DN v UD* [2020] EWHC 627 (Fam)

## Private FDR

Laura is a strong advocate of Alternative Dispute Resolution and is able to offer both private FDR appointments and Early Neutral Evaluation.

## Private Law Children

Laura's practice encompasses all aspects of private law proceedings relating to children including intractable contact and residence disputes, allegations of abuse and parental alienation, applications for leave to remove and internal relocation, fact-finding hearings, and surrogacy. When sitting as a Recorder, Laura is authorised to hear both private and public law cases.

## Reported Cases

- *A and another and P and others* [2012] 2 FLR 145

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## Awards and Scholarships

- Wadham College Oxford Junior Academic Scholarship
- Ann Ebsworth Scholarship (Gray's Inn)
- Lord Justice Holker Scholarship (Gray's Inn)
- The James Mould Scholarship (one of only four senior scholarships awarded to pupil barristers of 'exceptional merit') (Gray's Inn)
- The Du Cann prize for advocacy (Gray's Inn)

## Education

- The College of Law (London): Graduate Diploma in Law (Distinction); Bar Vocational Course
- Wadham College, University of Oxford: BA(Hons) Modern History and Modern and Medieval Languages (French)
- Tonbridge Grammar School

## Professional Memberships

Family Law Bar Association

## Languages

French (fluent)

Spanish (conversational)

## Publications

Co-author of 1KBW on Trusts in Matrimonial Finance Proceedings

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