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Specialises in:

- Public Law Children
- Private Law Children
- Crime
- Finance
- Direct Access



Just wanted to thank you for all your hard work on my case, I think in the circumstances you got a fantastic result for me and a great moral victory. Thank you.

- PA CLIENT

Marcus has a particular interest in public law - care work - and has appeared in complex and lengthy child protection hearings. He appeared for the respondent mother in a 33 day fact-finding / final hearing, which included expert evidence from numerous witnesses. Private law - Child Arrangements Orders (formerly contact, residence, specific issues, prohibited steps and parental responsibility). He has experience in relocation and transfer of residence / intractable contact cases.

Public Law Children

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Private Law Children

Private law - Child Arrangements Orders (formerly contact, residence, specific issues, prohibited steps and parental responsibility). He has experience in relocation and transfer of residence / intractable contact cases. B (Children) [2014] EWCA Civ 1623 - Appeal by father against findings of fact potentially relevant in proceedings concerning two children and arising from applications for shared residence, contact and a prohibited steps order not to move the children from the local area.

Crime

Marcus has represented clients charged with the most serious matters including murder, rape, drugs and proceeds of crime

His cross examination skills have been commended in the Crown Court; and he was called upon to cross examine the appellant in the Court of Appeal authority *R v O'Hare* [2006] EWCA Crim 471

R. v. M [2008] EWCA Crim 313, he represented the client in child abduction proceedings both at first instance and in the Court of appeal.

Finance

Marcus accepts instructions in finance but only on a private basis.

Direct Access

Marcus is a registered public access practitioner.

Education

City Polytechnic BA (Hons) Law

Appointments & Memberships:

- Former CPS grade 3 panel advocate and rape trial specialist
- Elected Junior of the Sussex Bar Mess in 2007 - 2012
- Lincoln's Inn advocacy trainer
- Former Member of the Lincoln's Inn Disciplinary Committee
- Member of the Family Law Bar Association
- Member of the Criminal Bar Association
- Member of the Association of Military Court Advocates
- Member of the South Eastern Circuit
- Appointed Pupil Supervisor 1997
- Appointed to the Attorney General's Unified List 2002
- Appointed internal examiner for the then City of London Polytechnic
- Marshalled with Mr Justice Wright and Blofeld J (former presiding Judges for SE Circuit)

Further information

Marcus also practices at court martial (in the UK, Germany and Cyprus) and in road traffic law

- *R v Grealish and others* [2006] EWCA Crim 1095 - large scale football violence,
- *R v O'Hare* [2006] EWCA Crim 471 - Court rules for non-attending defendants
- *R. v Harris* [2007] EWCA Crim 2455 - grievous bodily harm / wounding
- *R. v. M* [2008] EWCA Crim 313 - child abduction,
- *B (Children)* [2014] EWCA Civ 1623 - fact finding - prohibited steps & removal.

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