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Specialises in:

- Private Law Children
- Finance
- Arbitration
- Private FDR



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Nicola maintains a high calibre practice in private children law and financial work. Her financial work encompasses matrimonial finance, Schedule One, international issues and complex substantial asset cases. Her children work includes international relocation, complex disputes involving allegations of harm, mental health issues and parental alienation.

She is recommended in Chambers and Partners and the Legal 500 directories.

Prior to coming to the bar, she was a clinical psychologist working with children and a lecturer at the Institute of Psychiatry.

She is a qualified Arbitrator in children cases and sits as a Deputy District Judge in the family court (financial remedy court and private law) as well as in civil cases (CFC and

South Eastern Circuit). She acts as a Private FDR Judge.

Private Law Children

Highly regarded senior junior with wide-ranging private law practice. Particular expertise with complex and high conflict cases. Regularly acts in cases involving international relocation and high conflict cases with allegations of harm and parental alienation. Often acts in cases where there are mental health and substance abuse issues. Previous experience as a clinical psychologist invaluable in these difficult cases.

Reported Private Law Children cases:

- *C v C (International relocation; shared care arrangement)* [2011] 2 FLR 701
- *J v S (Leave to remove)* [2010] EWHC 2098 (Fam) [2011] 1 FLR 1694

Finance

Highly regarded senior junior with busy finance practice including matrimonial finance and financial claims for unmarried parties and civil partners. Often acts in complex cases involving substantial assets, disclosure issues and international aspects.

Reported Finance cases:

- *P v P (Financial Remedies; Disclosure)* [2013] 1 FLR 1003
- *Crown Prosecution Service v Anor v Gohil* [2013] 2 WLR 1123

Arbitration

Qualified arbitrator for children cases.

Private FDR

Available for private FDRs.

"Incredibly sophisticated in how she deals with nuanced children cases. Her judgement is impeccable and her advocacy is very strong, which is incredibly reassuring for clients."

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REPUTATION & AWARDS

"Down to earth, well respected and an extremely safe pair of hands." "A powerhouse of legal expertise known for her flawless preparation and quietly determined court presence." - Chambers and Partners, 2021

"A hardcore advocate who takes no prisoners." - Chambers and Partners, 2021

'Has amazing insight and understanding of people and what motivates them' - Legal 500, 2021

' A class act whose star continues to rise. ' - Legal 500, 2020

"She's a dream to work with, incredibly assured on her feet and great with clients." - Chambers and Partners, 2020

She is clear, to the point and unfazed by developments. She's excellent on her feet and very good at reading the room and adapting her arguments or style according to the tribunal in front of her. - Chambers and Partners, 2018

'She really engaged with the client. Her advice and direction were spot on.' - Chambers and Partners 2016

'She conducted a final hearing superbly on a leave to remove application. She really engaged with the client. Her advice and direction were spot on. She has a great way of dealing with children matters. She does not fuss. She is very direct and to the point'. - Chambers and Partners 2016

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'A former clinical psychologist working with children, Nicola Fox is an excellent choice for private law children cases, but is also very good at matrimonial finance. In the children field, she is particularly well versed in relocation matters.' 'Very competent and experienced at children work' 'She is reserved and adopts a firm approach, making her great for tough cases.' - Chambers and Partners 2014

'Nicola is fast-thinking and robust in her advocacy, whilst also being extremely personable and popular with clients.' She is outstanding, and a pleasure to both work with and learn from.' - Chambers and Partners 2015

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-Chambers and Partners 2016

'Brings her expertise as a psychologist to complex and acrimonious matrimonial and private children disputes. She has a particular expertise in relocation cases'. 'She has a good grasp of the issues, is thorough in her research, relates well with the client and is calm and straightforward. She's an effective advocate' - Chambers and Partners 2017

Awards and Scholarships

Benefactors Scholarship - Middle Temple

Education

- University College London
- Institute of Psychiatry/Maudsley Hospital
- City University
- Inns of Court School of Law
- MCI Arb (Arbitrator)

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Professional Memberships

- Member of the Family Law Bar Association
- Member of the Association of Lawyers for Children
- Member of Resolution
- Member of South Eastern Circuit
- Member of the Bar Pro Bono Unit Panel

Publications

- Cohabitation Claims: A Resolution Guide - contributor
- Applications under Schedule 1 (Jordans) - contributor
- Halsburys Laws - Children law (5th reissue) - contributor
- Butterworths Civil Court Precedents - Matrimonial Finance - contributor

Regularly writes articles for law journals

Lectures

Lectures regularly on all aspects of private children law and family finance.

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