
Natalia Escoriza



2002 – Called Middle Temple

BSc Society & Government with Business Administration, Aston University
MSc Social and Political Theory, Edinburgh University
PgDL College of Law
Postgraduate Diploma ICSL

Main Areas of Practice:

Family

- Children – public and private, including adoption and jurisdictional matters
- Ancillary Relief
- Injunctive Proceedings
- Divorce
- Enforcement

Nature of Practice

Is a specialist **family** practitioner.

Has built up a solid family practice covering all areas of family law.

Public Law

Undertakes a significant amount of public law work, representing all parties at all levels of proceedings, and deals with applications including those for:

- Care Orders
- Supervision Orders
- Special Guardianship
- Placement
- Adoption
- Revocation of Public Law Orders
- S19(14) Orders
- Designation of Appropriate Local Authority

Private Law

Is instructed in all aspects of private law children work, including the following:

- Applications for Contact and Residence
- Prohibited Steps and Specific Issue Applications
- Parental Responsibility Applications
- *Schedule 1 Children Act* Applications
- Cases where the children are separately represented
- Removal from the jurisdiction
- Cases involving applications to the *International Child Abduction Unit* for return of children from outside the jurisdiction.
- Cases with a “foreign element”.

In both public and private law, extensive experience of dealing with cases involving the following:

- Allegations of physical, sexual and emotional abuse
- Allegations of domestic violence
- Complicated findings of fact hearings with multiple potential perpetrators
- One or more party with mental health issues
- One or more party with drug and alcohol abuse issues
- Parties who are from outside of the jurisdiction
- Parties who do not have English as a first language and require an interpreter

Ancillary Relief

In addition to children work, represents clients in mainly small and medium-sized money cases, covering all stages of the ancillary relief proceedings, from first appointment through to final hearing, including interim applications for financial provision.

Injunctive Proceedings

All areas of injunctive work are undertaken, including applications for:

- Non-Molestation Orders
- Occupation Orders

Divorce

Experienced in advising on, and representing clients in, contested divorce proceedings.

Enforcement

Instructed in applications for enforcement of breaches of children and ancillary relief orders

Seminars

Participates in the Park Court Chambers seminar programme, delivering seminars on behalf of the Family Team dealing with topics relevant to family law practitioners. Copies of the seminars are available on request from the Family Team clerks.

Notable Cases

Birmingham City Council v R [2007] 1 FLR 564

Assisted Michael Harrison QC during his involvement with this case in the interim stages, and represented the Local Authority at an interim directions hearing.

Additional Information

- Membership of Specialist Associations: Family Law Bar Association
- Scholarships: Jules Thorn Scholarship, Middle Temple, 2001
- Member of the Bar Pro Bono Unit
- Member of the Free Representation Unit