



# Carrie Mason

**Year of Call:** 2004

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## Family

Carrie accepts instructions in all public and private child law matters. She has experience of representing local authorities, parents, guardians and third parties (such as grandparents) and is frequently instructed in cases where the parties are very acrimonious and difficult.

Carrie offers a reassuring, yet confident approach to her clients in these often difficult and sensitive matters. She regularly appears in the Family Proceeding Court, County Court and High Court in care cases, involving a range of issues including:

- Non-accidental Injuries
- Sexual Abuse Allegations
- Interveners, Adoption
- Emergency Procedures
- Child Abduction
- Jurisdiction
- Residence and Contact
- Domestic Violence
- Substance Abuse

Before joining the Bar, Carrie was a qualified Orthopedic Nurse which gives her exceptional insight and understanding when dealing with matters involving physical and sexual abuse, neglect, emotional harm and those cases involving medical experts.

Carrie also has experience in relation to cases that include capacity, mental health difficulties, and drug and alcohol-related problems involving children and families generally. Carrie has shown a particular aptitude to those matters involving younger parents including minors and all manner of abuse cases (physical and sexual).

Having qualified as an Arbitrator in the Children Scheme with the Institute of Family Law Arbitrators (IFLA), Carrie is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) and she welcomes instructions to act as the Arbitrator in children cases or to represent clients at arbitrations.

## Academic qualifications

- BSc (First Class) Computing, University of Wales
- PG Dip Law, University of Glamorgan
- BVC, Very Competent, University of West of England (UWE)

## **Professional qualifications & appointments**

- Arbitrator, Children Scheme, Institute of Family Law Arbitrators (IFLA)

## **Professional bodies**

- Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb)

## **Direct Access**

Carrie Mason is qualified to accept instructions directly from members of the public and professional clients under the Direct Public Access scheme.