

# Hayley Manser

**Year of Call:** 2015

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## Family

Hayley has a busy practice in family law and is particularly attracted to the mercurial nature of family proceedings. She is regularly instructed on a broad range of matters including public and private law children proceedings, matrimonial finance and Family Law Act proceedings.

### Public law children

In public law, Hayley has represented local authorities and parents and has experience of matters featuring issues of emotional abuse, domestic violence, neglect and drug and alcohol dependencies. Hayley spent time working in-house for a Local Authority, where she gained valuable experience acting for the Authority in a number of cases involving sexual abuse, special guardianship applications and emergency protection orders.

### Private law children

In private law, Hayley is regularly instructed to act for parents in Child Arrangement Order applications, leave to remove applications and applications for parental responsibility. Her exceptional client skills mean that she is accomplished at gaining the trust of clients and working with them to achieve the best possible outcome.

### Matrimonial finance

Hayley has a flourishing practice in matrimonial finance matters and has successfully represented husbands and wives at all stages of financial remedy proceedings. She always favours achieving a settlement which works for her clients but is not phased by voluminous documentation and detail.

### Family Law Act proceedings

Hayley regularly acts for both applicants and respondents to applications for Non-molestation Orders and Occupation Orders.

### Notable and reported cases:

- Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council v A & Ors [2021] EWFC B17 – case involving a non-accidental injury (skull fracture) to a baby, concluding with no findings made and baby being returned home to the parents.
- V v V (2019) – successfully represented a wife at FDR on a matter involving assets outside the jurisdiction.
- S v S (2019) – successfully represented a wife at FDR securing an equal division of the family home despite the wife not having lived in or contributed to the property for a number of years.
- B v L (2019) – successfully obtained an occupation order pursuant to s.36(10) FLA 1996.
- Re S (2019) – successfully represented a mother in a non-accidental injury matter, who was found by the court not to have

caused the injuries to her child and was removed from the pool of perpetrators.

- Re H (2018) – represented the Mother following the Local Authority’s application for an interim care order where the care plan was to remove the child into foster care. Successfully negotiated for the Mother to be placed with the child in a residential foster home.
- Re B (2018) – successfully represented a mother, who was opposing long-term foster care. Managed to obtain therapeutic support for the family with a view to rehabilitation of the child back to the parents care.
- B v D (2018) – represented a mother, who was responding to an application for an enforcement of a child arrangements order. The application was dismissed following submissions that the order provided to mandatory obligation on the Mother and, therefore, could not be enforced.
- Re T (2017) – represented a Local Authority in a chronic neglect case in respect of an application for a Care Order.
- Re B (2017) – represented a Local Authority following an application by extended family members for a Special Guardianship Order.
- Re P (2017) – represented the Respondent to an application for a Non-molestation Order and Occupation Order. Successfully negotiated cross-undertakings.

## **Academic qualifications**

- BPP Law School– BPTC (2015)
- The College of Law – GDL (2013)
- Chartered Institute of Marketing – Diploma (2011)
- University of Plymouth – BA (Hons) History (2007)

## **Scholarships**

- Streuben Bequest Prize (Inner Temple)
- Exhibition Award (Inner Temple)

## **Professional bodies**

- Western Circuit

## **Direct Access**

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