

# Elisabeth Hudson

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## Overview

Elisabeth Hudson specialises in all aspects of family law. She carries out both private and publicly funded work. Elisabeth has particular experience in Children Act work, both public and private, and in Financial Remedy cases.

She is qualified to accept client instructions under the Public Access Scheme, and has been carrying out such work since 2013.

Elisabeth says : "I understand that family matters can be highly charged and emotional, and I work hard on your behalf to ensure your voice is heard. I am friendly, and approachable, with your best interests at heart."

"If a sensible out of Court settlement can be reached on your behalf, I will help you negotiate to achieve this goal. If this is not possible I will do my utmost to ensure a case is well prepared for Court, in order to obtain the best outcome possible."

Elisabeth is based in the Hampshire/Oxfordshire/Berkshire areas, with offices in London, Bournemouth, Winchester, Oxford, Bristol and Birmingham. An initial consultation can be arranged at any of these centres. She is available to give informal updating lectures to solicitors by arrangement through her clerks.

Outside of work, Elisabeth is a keen horse rider competing under BS rules. Since 2006, her horses have competed at the Horse of the Year Show, Royal Windsor Horse Show, Hickstead, Olympia, and in Europe. Elisabeth enjoys playing the piano and breeds and shows a wide variety of livestock.

## Recommendations

Elisabeth is a very experienced barrister, thorough in her preparation and drafting of documents. She is a persuasive advocate who is concise in putting her best points.'

Elisabeth Hudson is 'an excellent advocate with good personal skills which help the client feel at ease' and regularly represents clients in difficult domestic and international children cases.

**Legal 500 2025**/Family: Children and Domestic Violence/Leading Juniors/Western Circuit - Tier 1

'Elisabeth is able to put clients at ease and strike a rapport with them. She understands cases to a very high level and this is clear in the advice she gives, the quality of her position statements and skeleton arguments, and also her advocacy.'

**Legal 500 2024**/Family: Children and Domestic Violence/Leading Juniors/Western Circuit - Tier 1

Elisabeth Hudson has established strength in Children Act work, including cases involving the international movement of children.

'Elisabeth is organised, discerning, and has a great client manner.'

**Legal 500 2023**/Child Law (Public and Private)/Leading Juniors/Western Circuit - Tier 1

'Elisabeth's advocacy in contested matters is focused and calm. She is excellent with clients, particularly young, vulnerable clients.'

**Legal 500 2022**/Child Law (Public and Private)/Leading Juniors/Western Circuit

'She is principled, courageous and honest; as an advocate she is knowledgeable, clear and direct. She shows excellent judgement and is an incredibly effective and persuasive advocate.'

**Legal 500 2021**/Child Law (Public and Private)/Leading Juniors/Western Circuit

'A safe pair of hands who fights her clients' corner.'

**Legal 500 2020**/Family and children law/Leading juniors

'A thorough, resolute and empathetic advocate.'

**Legal 500 2018/19**/Family and children law/Leading juniors

'She is very empathetic and very skilled at communicating with clients.'

**Legal 500 2017**/Family and children law/Leading juniors

'Experienced in both private and public law children proceedings.'

**Legal 500 2016**/Family and children law/Leading juniors

'Her practice includes Children Act work, financial remedy, TOLATA and Inheritance Act cases.'

**Legal 500 2015**/Family and children law/Leading juniors

'3PB's Elisabeth Hudson is 'well-prepared and able'.'

**Legal 500 2013/14**/Family

## Academic qualifications

- LLB (Buckingham)

## Professional bodies

- Family Law Bar Association

# Expertise

## Family

Elisabeth specialises in all aspects of family law. She carries out both private and publicly funded work. Elisabeth is experienced in Children Act work, both public and private, and has also acted in a number of cases brought under the Hague Convention involving the return of children to and from Australia, USA and Zimbabwe. She also deals with Financial Remedy cases and cases brought under TLATA 1996, the Inheritance Act 1975 and the Human Rights Act 1998.

### Private Remote FDR Hearings

Elisabeth is available for private remote FDR hearings. For more information on private remote FDR hearings please click [here](#).

### Reported cases

- Re M (Minors) (Residence Order: Jurisdiction) [1993] 1 F.L.R 495
- Re S (Contact: Evidence) [1998] 1 F.L.R 798
- Re W (Care proceedings: Witness anonymity) Court of Appeal [2003] 1 F.L.R 329
- Re F (Shared residence order) Court of Appeal [2003] 2 F.L.R 397
- P v South Gloucestershire Council Court of Appeal, The Times Law Reports, 1st February 2007
- M (Children) [2009] EWCA Civ 1573
- M (Children) [2010] EWCA Civ 657 - Renewed application by father for permission to appeal finding that he had stabbed the children's mother. Application allowed
- GG (A Girl) & Anor. Re (2024) EWFC 101 (B): Representing the respondent father in a long running case about a refugee family, where findings of domestic abuse and alienating behaviours were made against the father and whether the Court should order a s37 report to see if the local authority would issue care proceedings. This was against the recommendations of the Children's Guardian. The Court decided a s37 report was required.

## Articles

Relocation dos and don'ts

Elisabeth Hudson reviews the dos and don'ts of children relocation.

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