



Simon Lillington

Year of Call: 1981

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Overview

Simon was called to the Bar in 1981.

He lectured in commercial law in Nicosia, Cyprus from 1981 to 1984 and sat his Masters degree at University College London in shipping and Company law in 1985.

From 1985 to 1992 he lectured at Bournemouth University in partnership, company and common law. At Bournemouth University he was Director of Studies of the Business Studies Degree and then the Business Law Degree. He lectured regularly on advocacy skills at the University of Greenwich and undertook extensive research into the law of maritime piracy at the University of Southampton from 1989 to 1992.

He started in private practice at the Bar in London Chambers in 1987 initially in civil, company and commercial law but has specialised in family law since 1998.

Recommendations

"Highly experienced in family finance cases."

Legal 500 2018/Family

"Recommended for finance cases."

Legal 500 2016/Family

"His workload includes financial remedy cases involving business, trusts and foreign assets"

Legal 500 2015/Family

"A qualified arbitrator and mediator who specialises in financial remedy"

Legal 500 2014/Family

"is highly recommended for finance work"

Legal 500 2013/Family

"Strong ancillary relief practice"

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"Thank you for your advice, patience, the trouble you took to really understand the issues of my case. The result was far beyond my expectations..... I can't adequately express how grateful I am" - **Client testimony**

"Simon was fantastic for me throughout my case and at final hearing last week. He took so much of the strain onto his own

shoulders... I really felt his quiet support. His advocacy was pitched just right - he was focused and gentlemanly throughout, never descending to scorn or malice" - **Client testimony**

"I know that without you on board the result would not have been so good!...and the service you provide is invaluable" - **Client testimony**

Academic qualifications

- (1981) Middle Temple
- (1979) BA(Hons) Law - Anglia Ruskin University
- (1980) Bar exams
- (1985) LLM (Lond.) (Shipping & Company Law)

Professional bodies

- Family Law Bar Association
- Association of Lawyers for Animal Welfare (ALAW)
- Associate Member of Resolution

Family

Simon is mentioned as having a strong ancillary relief practice in the Legal 500.

In addition to his practice at the Bar in family law Simon also is a qualified family law mediator, registered with the Bar Council as such and will conduct mediations in chambers or at a location to suit clients.

He also is a qualified family law arbitrator and a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and will act as Arbitrator in qualifying family proceedings.

Money on Divorce or Separation

Although Simon's practice spans most areas of family law, his principal area of work is money on divorce or ancillary relief as it was formerly known or financial order/remedy applications as it is now known. He is regularly instructed in large asset or otherwise complex and difficult cases. His academic background and experience of company and commercial work make him ideally suited for dealing with those unusually complex issues which involve businesses, farms, trusts, foreign interests/assets and insolvency.

Cohabitation and TOLATA

Simon will also accept instructions in the areas of TLATA and cohabitation disputes. He has a great deal of experience of dealing with the many different applications that can be made surrounding these complex areas of law. His expertise in this field ranges from property disputes and undue influence claims, Schedule 1 children Act 1989 applications and occupation order applications through to the more intricate applications for financial relief after a foreign divorce and Inheritance Act claims.

Cases of note

- *Thayalnayagam v Redlich* [2010] - Financial relief after a foreign divorce
- *Shaw v Finnimore* [2009] EWHC 367 (Ch) - Undue influence, deceit and misrepresentation
- *Cousins v Cousins* [2001] 2FLR 701 (CA) - Sentencing for breach of non-molestation injunction

