Andrew Neaves



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Overview

Andrew Neaves is a highly-experienced family barrister who has exclusively specialised in the law relating to children with a focus on more complex public law cases in the County Court, High Court and Court of Appeal. Andrew also undertakes judicial review work in which the issues are related to his family practice and to his work in the Court of Protection.

He is a co-author of "Family Law and the Human Rights Act 1998' published by Jordans, has lectured extensively on issues of human rights and family law for Jordans and was appointed a trainer by the Judicial Studies Board in relation to the Human Rights Act 1998.

Andrew was the Head of the Health and Welfare Court of Protection practice group in his former chambers and regularly undertakes work in the Court of Protection and related cases under the inherent jurisdiction of the High Court.

Professional bodies

- Association of Lawyers for Children
- Family Law Association
- British Agencies for Adoption and Fostering

Expertise

Family

Children

Andrew is experienced in complex public law cases involving children. He has a particular interest in those cases which involve complex medical evidence. These Care cases are frequently of the most challenging kind, including induced/factitious illness cases, cases involving the death of a child, serious brain injury and sexual abuse. He has a particular interest in cases involving disputed expert evidence and enjoys the cross examination of professional witnesses.

Andrew regularly represents all parties in such cases, having wide experience of conducting such cases for local authorities and the entire range of respondents, from parents to grandparents and children, both by their Children's Guardians and separately.

Andrew has also frequently represented clients with mental health difficulties and a wide range of disabilities, both directly and through the Official Solicitor.

Court of Protection

Andrew was the Head of the Health and Welfare Court of Protection practice group in his former chambers and regularly undertakes work in the Court of Protection and related cases under the inherent jurisdiction of the High Court. He has extensive experience of work in the health and welfare field in which he represents all parties.

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