

## 60-SECONDS WITH:

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**Q** Why did you choose a career path in the legal industry?

**A** I knew I wanted to be a barrister from quite an early age. I debated competitively at school and really enjoyed it so that probably planted the seed.

**Q** What do you see as the most important thing about your job?

**A** To find solutions amongst disputes.

**Q** What motivates you most about your work?

**A** Achieving a settlement that allows someone to move on with their life is my biggest motivation and making sure they are treated fairly. We can't undo the past for our clients but we can help with their future.

**Q** What is one work related goal you would like to achieve in the next five years?

**A** I have one simple goal, I'd like to win every case! Have I set the bar too high?

**Q** What has been the best piece of advice you have been given in your career?

**A** Be yourself.

**Q** What is the most significant trend in your practice today?

**A** I see a real increase in the appetite for ADR which can only be a good thing. People are more aware of the alternatives to court and it is becoming increasingly affordable so that it's an option even in modest needs cases.

**Q** Who has been your biggest role model in the industry?

**A** My many role models are the people, from the most junior to the most senior, that I encounter everyday trying to achieve the very best for their clients and doing so with integrity and courtesy.

**Q** What is one important skill that you think everyone should have?

**A** The ability to empathise is really important in family law. Having the capacity to understand what someone is going through helps in all sorts of ways. Some people will remember their day in court for the rest of their lives so, as well as doing everything you can to achieve the best result, I think it's important to be able to support them through the process.

**Q** What cause are you passionate about?

**A** Getting papers on time

**Q** Where has been your favorite holiday destination and why?

**A** I completed my LLM in European Law at the College of Europe, Bruges so I love going back there. Back then family law was just a twinkle in my eye and I was focused on the 4 freedoms and other aspects of European Law. I have lots of happy memories from my time there and it's a beautiful place.

**Q** Dead or alive, which famous person would you most like to have dinner with, and why?

**A** I would love to have dinner with Oscar Wilde. I love his wit and I'm sure I would come away with some fantastic one liners. I'm not sure what his view on family law would be. He said 'One should always be in love. That is the reason one should never marry'.

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