



Barrister profile

Josephene Uzuegbunam

Practice

Josephene is a family law practitioner who has developed a particular expertise with respect to the law relating to children's rights and child protection issues. She has and continues to represent children both directly and through their children's guardian. Josephene has acted extensively for Local Authorities whose primary role is protect vulnerable children living within their areas. Her practice also involves the representation of parents both when seeking the rehabilitation of children into their care and or within parental disputes over residence and contact. She regularly conducts hearings in respect of Adoption and Special Guardianship Orders. Josephene has successfully made applications pursuant to the Human Rights Act 1998 which incorporates the European Convention Human Rights. Josephene has developed a reputation of 'one not afraid to fight' and a practitioner with 'great client care'

Josephene has gained considerable experience in cases involving the neglect, non- accidental injuries to a child, emotional, sexual and physical abuse of children. She is regularly instructed to seek emergency orders to safeguard the welfare of children who are deemed at imminent risk and whose safety requires urgent protection. Josephene receives regular instructions from the Official Solicitor whose role it is to protect the legal rights of vulnerable adults not capable of managing their legal affairs.

Her practice includes cases where sensitive and complex issues such as cultural factors / influences and practices, return of children to countries both in and out of the Hague Convention and the need for medical treatment are pertinent. She has gained considerable experience with respect to applications by parents to remove a child/ren out of this jurisdiction which is opposed by the non- resident parent.

Josephene's practice also includes applications under the Matrimonial Causes Act for Ancillary Relief, Trusts of Land Acts and Family Law Act in respect of Transfer of Tenancies. She has developed an expertise with respect to injunctive proceedings, most notably in respect of domestic violence both in relation to the harm caused to the child/ren and as preventative measures for the victim. .

Josephene has acted for parents who are themselves children and are the subject of applications and or resisting applications made by Local Authorities. Further she has experience in applications concerning secure accommodation orders for children who are regarded at risk of harm to their safety.

Skills

Josephene brings to the profession a genuine determination and enthusiasm to deliver a first class service to all of her clients, and an ability and desire to work as a team player in all matters in which she is instructed. Josephene relates well to clients and strives to ensure that all her clients are fully advised on all relevant legal and procedural matters. When representing Local Authorities, Josephene seeks to ensure compliance with relevant Best Practice Guidelines and compliance with statutory provisions.

Josephene is regarded by those that instruct her as '*an advocate who is able to relate to the needs of the lay client*'. Clients report that her manner is straightforward and she '*tells it as it is without the jargon*'. She has received

Year of Call

1998

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Education

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Practice Areas:

Josephene Uzuegbunam is a member of the following Practice Areas:
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judicial praise on her preparation and presentation of factually complex public law proceedings.

Josephene has demonstrated an ability to negotiate fearlessly and strategically case manage to ensure that both her lay and professional clients are satisfied with the outcomes.

Societies

Association of Lawyers for Children

Family Bar Association