

Victoria Wilson

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Victoria practices exclusively in family law. She is a skilful and effective advocate, extremely thorough and always well prepared. She inspires complete confidence in both instructing solicitors and lay clients due to her total command of the issues in every case.

She is often commended by the judiciary for her approach and for *“the calm, clear and courteous way in which she has represented her client’s interests”* (C v C judgment, 2018).

She was recently nominated as an Inspiring Woman Lawyer, and a profile of her contribution to law will be added to a project website hosted by the Oxford Faculty of Law. The project aims to create an oral history of inspiring women lawyers which will be lodged in the Sound Archive of the British Library as a national resource.

She is one of just thirty-six barristers across England and Wales to be selected for the inaugural Bar Council Leadership Programme, with a view to facilitating a powerful network of new leaders to drive forward a positive, open and inclusive culture across the Bar.

She is frequently called upon to train student barristers and new practitioners, and is often invited to deliver lectures and appear as a guest speaker on webinars and podcasts relating to the law. She organises and chairs the Family Law Bar Association (‘FLBA’) Autumn Lecture Series for the whole of the Family Bar.

She regularly mentors barristers at different stages of their careers, including student barristers, pupils and those returning to the Bar after a leave of absence.

Victoria is also a family mediator and the co-author of the England and Wales chapter in *The Variegated Landscape of Mediation: a Comparative Study of Mediation Regulation and Practices in Europe and the World* (Manon Schonewille and Dr Fred Schonewille [eds.], The Hague, Eleven International Publishing 2014).

She is the elected 2020 Chair of the Wellbeing at the Bar Working Group which carries out work on behalf of all barristers, clerks and staff in England and Wales. She is also the Chair of the FLBA Wellbeing Subcommittee, in which role she organises seminars with psychologists, psychotherapists and members of the judiciary as guest speakers. She recently gave an interview to LawBore about her involvement with both those roles which can be found here:

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In October 2020 she was appointed as a LawCare champion in recognition of her ongoing contribution towards promoting good mental health and wellbeing in the legal community.

Her recent articles include *Our Wellbeing Stock*, Counsel Magazine, 2020 and *Wellbeing: What Has Happened and Where Are We Now*, Family Affairs, 2020.

Family

Victoria practises principally in financial remedy and private law children cases, including cases with international elements and those involving significant factual and legal complexity.

Notable Cases

- *B v B & B* (2020): complex private child law proceedings involving the consequences of child abduction, deception as to maternity, and the resumption of pre-abduction familial relationships in the face of implacable hostility.
- *D v G* (2019): an excellent outcome representing a spouse in a financial remedy case involving financial misconduct, various companies and the transfer of substantial shareholdings.
- *L v P & P* (2019): cross-applications to vary a child arrangements order concerning a child with serious health issues. Achieved a change in residence for the client.
- *M v P & M* (2018): represented a grandparent in their last-resort application for a child arrangements order and succeeded in re-establishing their relationship with their grandchildren.
- *M v M* (2018): represented a parent in a long fact-finding hearing and their serious allegations of extreme domestic abuse were found proved in their entirety.
- *P v P* (2017): financial remedy proceedings in which Victoria's cross-examination resulted in a spouse admitting that they had lied about being a bigamist.
- *B v T* (2015): obtained extensive contact for a parent in circumstances where the child's medical condition and numerous allegations were cited as reasons for there being no contact at all.
- *L v L* (2011): financial remedy proceedings with conduct issues and an international element where 100% of the assets were awarded to Victoria's client at the final hearing.
- *S v S & M* (2009): obtained a declaration of parentage for the mother where the father had died before the child was born, and his family did not know of the mother's existence.
- *Re B (Residence Order)* [2007] All ER (D) 280 (Feb) FD (Hogg J): successfully opposed the father's appeal against the making of a residence order.

Appointments

- Approved Pupil Supervisor
- 2020 Chair of the Wellbeing at the Bar Working Group
- Chair of the FLBA Wellbeing Subcommittee
- FLBA Education Officer
- Gray's Inn Mentor

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