

1GC | Family Law

Joseph Moore

Year of Call: 2009



Practice Overview

Joseph's practice covers a wide range of family law including: private children, financial remedy, cohabitation disputes and domestic abuse. He represents clients in all tiers of court.

His practice encompasses private law children matters involving complex contact and residence disputes.

Joseph represents and advises parties in financial remedies upon divorce and claims under Schedule 1 to the Children Act 1989. Joseph's practice increasingly involves high-net-worth parties, with complicated jurisdictional issues and where there are disputed business or pension assets.

He regularly accepts instructions in injunctive proceedings involving serious domestic violence and abuse.

Joseph has also worked in schools teaching and mentoring children with learning difficulties such as dyslexia, dyspraxia and ADHD.

Children (Private Law)

Joseph's private children practice involves a wide range of cases involving disputed child arrangements including where there are allegations of sexual abuse, domestic violence, substance abuse and mental health issues. Joseph often appears in complex fact-finding hearings as well as cases involving a change of school or a change of name.

Joseph is particularly interested in cases concerning implacable hostility and parental alienation and is able to combine a robust style of advocacy when required with the sensitivity needed when dealing with vulnerable clients and witnesses.

Joseph is also regularly instructed in cases involving internal and external relocation of children, both on behalf of the parent seeking to move and the parent resisting the move.

Family Finance & Property

Joseph's finance practice includes the full range of financial remedy following divorce and cases under Schedule 1 Children Act 1989. Joseph's practice increasingly involves high-net-worth parties, with complicated jurisdictional issues and where there are disputed business and pension assets.

Joseph also acts in cohabitation cases and often appears in cases where there are disputes as to the beneficial ownership of property, interveners are joined to the proceedings, or where there are allegations of 'sham' trusts.

Domestic Violence & Injunctions

Joseph acts in cases under the Family Law Act 1996 ranging from ex-parte applications to complex final hearings over allegations of serious domestic abuse.

What the Directories Say

"Joseph is a superstar in the making, who puts client at ease immediately with his calm manner. His approach in the courtroom is one of quiet determination." **Band 4 - Chambers and Partners, 2025**

"Joseph's calm but firm manner with clients is exceptionally effective." **Band 4 - Chambers and Partners, 2025**

"Joseph is exceptional at dealing with difficult clients. His advice is clear and firm whilst also showing empathy and understanding." **Tier 5 - Legal 500, 2025**

"Joseph's key strength lies in his depth of knowledge across the family law spectrum." **Tier 4 - Legal 500, 2025**

"Joseph is an exceptionally thorough advocate. His legal knowledge is second to none, and he is always available to work with solicitors as a team to get the best outcome for clients. He is a skilled negotiator whilst being a persuasive advocate on his feet." **Legal 500, 2024**

"Joseph is a true professional. He works tirelessly for clients and solicitors and is very reliable." **Tier 5 – Legal 500, 2023**

"Clear and persuasive in court. He is brilliant on his feet and provides invaluable advice on strategy. He has a great manner with clients and is easy to work with." **Tier 5 – Legal 500, 2022**

"He combines assiduous preparation with a collected and empathetic manner. His client care skills are excellent." **Tier 4 – Legal 500, 2022**

Notable Cases

F v M [2023] EWFC 147

Re E (A Child) [2013] EWHC 2400 (Fam) - The case has attracted media attention with articles appearing in The Times, The Telegraph and the Daily Mail.

Education

LLB (Hons)

MA (Hons) Modern History, University of St. Andrews

Appointments

Harmsworth Scholar, Middle Temple

Awards

Shortlisted for Barrister of the Year in the City Wealth Future Leaders Awards 2023

Memberships & Associations

Honorable Society of Middle Temple

Member Family Law Bar Association (FLBA)

National Youth Advocacy Service (Advocate)

Seminars, Publications and Training

Joseph has recently given seminars to solicitors on the following topics:

- International relocation (Vardags solicitors)
- State Benefits and financial remedy (Penningtons Manches solicitors)

He gave a webinar on "**Compensation Claims and Relationship Generated Disadvantage**" as part of the 1GC Family Law Webinar series (June 2020).

Personal

Joseph's interests include: modern history, music, classic sports cars, literature and travel. He enjoys competing in road cycling events and following the Tour de France.