

1GC | Family Law

Niamh Daly

Year of Call: 2018



Practice Overview

Niamh joined Chambers in 2021 and is building a practice across the range of chambers' specialisms. She has appeared at all levels up to and including the High Court and accepts instructions in all areas of family law.

Niamh has a particular interest in Court of Protection, International and public and private children work.

Children (Public Law)

Niamh is regularly instructed across all areas of public proceedings in cases involving chronic neglect, substance abuse, domestic and physical abuse and injury. She accepts instructions from parents, Guardians and local authorities.

Niamh is experienced in drafting threshold documents and advising upon the merits of seeking findings, reviewing the relevant evidence.

Children (Private Law)

Niamh has a growing private law practice, representing applicants, respondents and Guardians in s.8 Children Act 1989 proceedings, including cases which involve allegations of domestic, sexual and physical abuse.

She has a particular interest in cases with an international element and has experience of representing clients in relocation applications - both within the jurisdiction and internationally.

Court of Protection

Domestic Violence & Injunctions

Niamh regularly represents applicants and respondents in injunction proceedings under the Family Law Act 1996.

She has a particular interest in Forced Marriage Protection Orders is the co-author of the first and

only comprehensive practitioner text on forced marriage.

International Family Law

Niamh has experience of acting and advising clients within public law cases with an international element and in cases involving international abduction.

Notable Cases

Cambridgeshire County Council v A Mother & Ors [2024] EWFC 429

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A father v A mother [2023] EWFC 227

Re A Child (SGO and Contact) [2023] EWFC 167

SA v AA (Rev1) [2023] EWHC 2016

Re S (Inherent Jurisdiction: Transgender Surgery Abroad) [2023] EWHC 347

X & Anor v M [2022] EWFC 168

R v S [2022] EWFC 65

Tickle v Herefordshire County Council & Ors [2022] EWHC 1017

London Borough of Southwark v A Family [2020] EWHC 3117

What the Directories Say

"Niamh is an exceptional barrister. Her intellectual approach to cases, legal knowledge and advocacy is impressive." Tier 1 - Legal 500, 2025

"Niamh is an excellent advocate, very confident on her feet. Her preparation is second to none. She is an excellent communicator with clients to put them at ease. She is a rising star, definitely one to watch." Rising Star - Legal 500, 2024

Education

LLB (Hons), University of Liverpool – First Class (2017)

BPTC, University of Law London – Very Competent (2018)

Master of Laws, University of Law London – Distinction (2018)

Awards

Shortlisted for the Young Barrister of the Year at the Family Law Awards - 2023

Pupillage Award, The Honourable Society of Middle Temple – 2018

1GC Family Law Speed Moot Finalist – 2018

Harmsworth Scholarship, The Honourable Society of Middle Temple – 2017

University of Liverpool Moot Semi-Finalist – 2017

Second highest dissertation mark in the School of Law and Social Justice, University of Liverpool – 2017

Certificate of Contribution to the Law School for volunteer work with the StreetLaw Project – 2017

Memberships & Associations

Member of the Honourable Society of Middle Temple

Member of FLBA

Member of COPBA

Publications

Co-Author, 'Forced Marriage: Law and Practice', *Bloomsbury Publishing* (2020). The Honourable Mr. Justice Hayden wrote the foreword describing it as “*an impressive book... a pleasurable and, at times, compelling read... an ambitious project, but...skillfully realised*”. - **Shortlisted for the 2022 Inner Temple New Authors Award**