



Andrew Duncan

Barrister

Year of Call: 2011

Inn of Court: The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn

Degree:

BPP LAW SCHOOL - Bar Professional Training Course (VC)

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH - LL.M International Law

UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX - LL.B (Hons) Law

Practice areas: Family

Profile: Andrew has developed a specialist Family Law practice, including public, private law and matrimonial finance proceedings.

Andrew has established a practice far beyond his year of call and has achieved a particularly strong reputation for his work in public law cases.

Andrew is an approachable and down to earth barrister. He is also a straight talker, who will quickly put clients at ease. Recognised as a team player, Andrew is valued by his professional clients as someone who will always go the extra mile.

Andrew has developed a successful direct access practice for private children work and receives many referrals from his clients. Andrew is a resolute advocate and members of the judiciary have often commented on his ability to forensically cross-examine to great effect.

Andrew is a member of the Family Law Bar Association.

Recent Cases:

Re P (2019)

Andrew acted for the children where he sought the transfer of living arrangements of two children who were living with the mother to their father's care. This was a complex parental alienation case where the mother had previously made serious allegations of abuse against the father. The children were

successfully transitioned at the conclusion of the case.

Re RJ (2018)

Andrew represented a father in a "parental alienation case" who faced twelve allegations of physical abuse against his child made by the mother. The court found none of those allegations proven and went on to find that the mother had alienated the child from the father and that the child was at risk of significant harm in the care of the mother.

Achievements:

During his years as a student, Andrew won the first year Mooting Competition at the University of Sussex. During the same year, he won the University Negotiating Competition, was placed first in the South Region finals and went on to the UK National Finals.

During his second year Andrew mooted at Lewes Crown Court, competed in the ESU Mooting competition, and at the National Finals of the Telder International Moot Court competition. In the same year he was elected as President of the University's Student Law Society, managing a committee of 25 and a membership body of 600 students. Andrew scored the highest mark for Civil Advocacy in his year, whilst studying the BPTC at the BPP Law School, London.

Interests:

A passion for the countryside, you will find him engaged in most country pursuits, from skiing and scuba diving to fly fishing for salmon.

