



Lucy Fairclough Barrister

Year of Call: 2005

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Specialist areas

Adoption and Special Guardianship
Care Proceedings
Child Arrangements
Domestic Violence

Profile

Lucy Fairclough is an experienced advocate specialising in child law. Prior to specialising in family law, Lucy also practised at the criminal bar prosecuting and defending offences including serious sexual offences and domestic violence. This background has provided Lucy with invaluable experience, skills and knowledge that is particularly beneficial in cases involving and issues of sexual abuse, non-accidental injury, domestic violence and in cases requiring cross examination of a child. In the court room Lucy is a robust and tenacious advocate; with her clients Lucy is able to give firm and clear advice whilst remaining compassionate and sympathetic.

Lucy acts on behalf of local authorities, parents, children's guardians, competent children and intervenors in a wide range of cases:

- Serious non-accidental injury
- Fabricated and/or induced illness, including hospital intervenors
- Female Genital Mutilation
- Sexual abuse
- Concurrent criminal proceedings
- Human Rights Act claims arising from public law proceedings
- Chronic neglect
- Hearing impaired families
- Drug and alcohol abuse (including FDAC proceedings)

- Adoption including adoptions with international elements
- Special Guardianship
- Domestic Violence
- Child arrangements disputes, including intractable contact disputes

Education

University:
University of Newcastle-Upon-Tyne (2003)

Law School:
Nottingham Law School, Nottingham Trent University (2005)

Memberships

Family Law Bar Association
Grays Inn
Midland Circuit
Women in Family Law

What our clients are saying

Lucy has a strong reputation for being a professional, accomplished and dedicated advocate who has particular skill in client care. Lucy is particularly adept in cases involving an intermediary and at managing vulnerable and challenging clients.

Cases

ED, RE [2015] EWFC B84 (29 May 2015)

