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Practice overview

Stefan is an experienced barrister with a thriving family law practice. His background in both civil and family law means that he is a good choice for cases which span the two jurisdictions, particularly property cases following relationship breakdown.

Stefan advises on all aspects of family law – from cohabitation and prenuptial agreements to financial and children disputes following relationship breakdown. He represents all parties involved in litigation, and acts in all levels of courts including family and county courts, and the High Court.

Stefan is well liked by solicitors, and is good at working with clients. Recent feedback includes "*I have just spoken to [client] and he was full of praise for you*", "*Just a quick email to say thank you for arranging Stefan on Monday, he has been a tremendous help and support in recent time. His recent attendance note was extremely detailed and so helpful. The client also wishes to express her gratitude to him*" and "*I cannot fully express how grateful I am for everything you have done for me and [X]. Going through this court case was one of the hardest things I have ever faced but having you there by my side made all the difference. I know I was often emotional and overwhelmed but your calm and supportive nature was comforting. You made me feel genuinely supported and seen. Thank you for fighting for us, I will never forget your support.*"

Children law (public)

Stefan is regularly instructed in care proceedings. He has experience of dealing with all aspects of allegations which might be made, including allegations of physical, emotional and sexual abuse, non-accidental injury and neglect.

Stefan acts for children, parents, grandparents and wider family members particularly those who might be appointed as special guardians. He also acts for local authorities. Stefan is used to dealing with complex, multi-day hearings and is able to advise comprehensively on the process.

Children law (private)

Stefan represents clients in applications for Child Arrangements Orders and applications for child maintenance. He has a lot of experience at acting for parents, and understands the pressures that they are under when faced with litigation. Stefan will explain the various applications which can be made, and how best to achieve the client's aims.

He is regularly instructed to represent parents who wish to reach agreements on the residence of their child and contact with the non-resident parent. He is also experienced at dealing with applications on specific issues, including applications for leave to remove a child from the jurisdiction. Stefan also has experience of dealing with international child abduction cases.

Family finances

Stefan is experienced in financial dispute resolution proceedings. He helps his clients to reach a financial settlement which is satisfactory to them or represents them in court if settlement is not possible. His expertise extends to advising on applications for a share of property, either in family proceedings or in the civil courts under the Trusts of Land and Appointment of Trustees Act 1996.

Stefan also represents parents seeking orders under the Children Act for maintenance or other financial provision for children.

Property

Stefan is regularly instructed in applications under the Trusts of Land and Appointment of Trustees Act 1996 for declarations of interest in property. These commonly arise following the end of a relationship, but Stefan also advises on applications arising out of family investment schemes and business relationships.

Stefan is a very good choice of Counsel where the claim arises from relationship breakdown

because he has a thorough understanding of both the family law and civil law aspects of the case. He is familiar with the differing rules and procedures in the different jurisdictions.

Stefan is also experienced in residential and commercial landlord and tenant disputes, and claims in civil law for negligence and nuisance.