

THOMAS PYE

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Practice Areas:
Care Proceedings
Child Arrangements
Domestic Violence &
Injunctions

Thomas Pye 'has a reassuring manner and quickly puts clients at ease. He is thorough and knowledgeable and argues the case persuasively.' – **Rising Star, Legal 500, 2024**

"The service provided by Tom was excellent. I am very happy with the outcome. Tom is a dedicated professional, and he clearly demonstrated a great level of understanding regarding my court case. I felt like I was in the best hands possible." **Private Client (2022)**

"It is always a pleasure to instruct Tom; he is meticulous in case preparation and diligently represents the Local Authority. Clients have consistently given positive feedback about his excellent communication skills, especially in an era of remote hearings he is observed to be conscientious in ensuring that he communicates with clients effectively before, during and following the hearing so that instructions are promptly received and acted upon. He has a wealth of legal knowledge and having instructed him on some complex cases, it was of great assurance and confidence to have him represent the Local Authority." **Christiana Ajilore, Lawyer, Hackney Council (2021)**

"Mr Pye has been brilliant on my cases – he has been able to grasp the issues very quickly and is extremely thorough. I enjoy working with him!" **Reena Matharu, Children Lawyer, London Borough of Tower Hamlets (2020)**

Tom became a Member of Chambers following the successful completion of his pupillage in October 2020.

Prior to joining chambers, Tom worked in professional discipline – latterly managing a team of in-house presenting officers and case managers under-taking fitness to practise prosecutions for a national health and social care regulator. With a large number of his cases having involved Social Workers, Tom fully appreciates the responsibilities and realities 'at the coalface' for them, the Local Authorities and for the families they work with.

Previously, as a Presenting Officer Tom appeared regularly before disciplinary tribunals on behalf of the regulator across the range of contested proceedings and has experience of cases involving sexual

misconduct, child sexual abuse and indecent images, substance abuse and acute mental ill health. This has provided Tom a firm grounding in analysis of medical evidence, psychological and psychiatric reports, engaging with instructed experts and working with vulnerable parties and witnesses.

During the BPTC, Tom volunteered with the Family Advice Scheme, providing free 'on the day' representation and advice at court to those no longer qualifying for Legal Aid in private family law proceedings, and with the National Centre for Domestic Violence.

Education

University of St Andrews – MA(Hons) Theology
University of Law, Bristol – Graduate Diploma in Law
City University, London – BPTC

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