

HARRY SIMONS

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Practice Areas:
Care Proceedings
Child Arrangements
Court of Protection
Domestic Violence &
Injunctions

About

Before joining Four Brick Court, Harry Simons gained invaluable experience as a senior paralegal in the family department of a leading city law firm, consistently ranked No.1 in both The Legal 500 and Chambers & Partners. He developed a strong foundation in complex family law matters and demonstrated a deep commitment to pro bono work, volunteering with the National Centre for Domestic Violence and the Citizens Advice Bureau.

Harry has built a well-rounded and robust practice across all areas of family law, with a primary focus on children's matters in both private and public law cases.

Practice overview**Private Children Law**

In private children proceedings, Harry adeptly handles disputes concerning child arrangements, including decisions about where a child should live and the time they spend with each parent. He has extensive experience with applications for Prohibited Steps Orders and Specific Issue Orders, often involving complex disputes over matters such as schooling or applications to remove a child from the jurisdiction. Harry is also highly experienced in cases involving allegations of domestic abuse and regularly deals with protective injunctions, including Non-Molestation Orders and Occupation Orders. He has been instructed in fact-finding hearings, where he has successfully achieved favourable findings for his clients.

Public Children Law

In public law proceedings, Harry represents a diverse range of clients, including parents, local authorities, and Guardians. He has dealt with complex and challenging cases involving significant neglect, substance misuse, physical and sexual abuse, mental health issues, and non-accidental injuries. Harry has appeared before the High Court on multiple occasions in relation to Deprivation of Liberty orders, recovery orders, and applications concerning the placement of children in foreign jurisdictions.

Reported Cases:

[Y & Anor v London Borough of Hillingdon & Anor \[2024\] EWFC 452 \(B\)](#)

[A Local Authority v X \(Attendance of Experts\) \[2025\] EWFC 137](#)

[Re S \(A Child\) \(Placement with Father\) \[2024\] EWFC 329 \(B\)](#)

[A local authority v Sarah and others \[2024\] EWFC 9 \(B\)](#)

[Oxfordshire County Council v M and others \[2025\] EWFC 256 \(B\)](#)

[London Borough of Redbridge v M & Ors \[2025\] EWFC 313 \(B\)](#)

Education

University of Liverpool – LLB (2016)

University of Law, Bloomsbury – BPTC LLM (2018)

Memberships

[Inner Temple](#)

[Family Law Bar Association](#)

Client Testimonials

'I have nothing but positive things to say about Harry. He recently dealt with a matter for me where the client was very unpredictable. He dealt with the difficulties with confidence and professionalism. He fully understood the instructions he had been given and did not need any unnecessary assistance. I was confident, having provided the brief, that the matter would be dealt with in the client's best interests. His paperwork was well written and accurate, and his communications very professional yet friendly. I would not at all hesitate in instructing him again.' **Katy Osborne, Howell Jones Solicitors**

'I found Harry to be an assertive and competent advocate, who had a detailed knowledge of the case despite picking it up at very short notice that day. Harry was confident in his approach, which made the client feel comfortable, was able to answer nuanced questions, and had a keen eye for detail. Both the client and I were more than happy with the outcome of the hearing, and I would gladly instruct Harry again in the future.' **Kerry Reynolds, Burke Niazi Solicitors**

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