

JAMES NORMAN

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Practice Areas:
Abduction & International
Movement
Adoption & Special
Guardianship
Care Proceedings
Child Arrangements
Domestic Violence &
Injunctions

"James' technical knowledge is vast. He discusses strategy for cases in a positive way and is always up to date with case law." **Chambers & Partners 2026**

"James is an excellent advocate who is robust when required. His attention to detail is immaculate" – **Legal 500 2026**

About

James Norman has worked in family law since 2008, first in a legal aid law firm and then at the bar, specialising in children's law.

Practice overview

In care proceedings, James represents local authorities, parents, other family members, interveners and children's guardians. He has particular experience in cases involving non-accidental injuries, sexual abuse, and cases involving placement outside the jurisdiction. James's experience includes applications for secure accommodation orders or court authorisations for a deprivation of a child's liberty.

James appears in private cases involving child arrangement orders, including enforcement and committal proceedings and contested relocation cases.

He has the experience and wants to expand his practice in the Court of Protection.

James has provided seminars and advocacy training sessions for solicitors.

Directories

'James is brilliant. He remembers everything and is very forensic in his approach. His advocacy is always helpful and concise.' **Legal 500 2025**

'James gives sound advice. He is clearly knowledgeable and able to provide great guidance.'

'James is very responsive and always available to speak to the client or to instructing solicitors.' **Chambers UK 2025**

'James is thorough, motivated, pleasant, and hard-working, and his case management and guidance are exemplary. Both oral and written advocacy is highly competent.' **Legal 500 2024**



Education

University:
Trinity Hall, Cambridge, Law, MA (Cantab) (2006)

Law School:
Inns of Court School of Law (2008)

Memberships

[FLBA](#)
[Middle Temple](#)

Languages

German (Intermediate)

Client Testimonials

'I have instructed James many times, he is quick to grasp the issues in a case and always has a thorough knowledge of the matters at hand which shows in his advocacy.' **Clarence Ibitoye, Lawyer**

'James is an exceptional advocate who is consistently thorough in his preparation of each case. He is robust and concise in his presentation in Court and is always approachable and easy to work with. I always feel confident with his representation.' **Natasha Menicou, Senior Lawyer**

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Cases

Y, V AND B (FACT-FINDING: PERPETRATOR) [2024] EWCA Civ 1034