Leonie Caplan

Year of Call: **2001 (Solicitor: 1982)**

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Leonie is head of the family team at 18 St John Street. She is an extremely experienced family practitioner, having commenced her career as a solicitor in 1982. Initially she had a wide-ranging practice but quickly progressed to specialise in all areas of family law. In 2001, after 17 years in practice as a solicitor, she transferred to the Bar where she continues to practice exclusively in family law.

Leonie's practice encompasses all areas of family law including financial remedy proceedings, private law applications, injunctive proceedings arising out of domestic abuse and public law applications as well as TOLATA claims. She appears regularly in the High Court as well as the lower courts and has appeared in the Court of Appeal several times, both with and without a leader.

In financial remedy proceedings Leonie is often instructed in complex high net worth cases, including those which involve the ownership of companies and family businesses. In addition, she specialises in TOLATA claims, an area of law in which she has a particular interest. She welcomes initial conferences at an early stage both in financial remedy and TOLATA cases as she considers them to be essential in identifying the issues and providing the best chance of settling the case.

Leonie represents clients at Private FDR hearings and is available to sit as a Barrister Judge.

Leonie has vast experience in private law proceedings including both internal and international relocation cases as well as the more straightforward issues as to with whom a child should live and the arrangements for seeing a parent without primary care. Similarly, she has extensive experience of cases involving domestic abuse and addictions, including cases where the children are separately represented.

Leonie continues to represent clients in public law proceedings if requested.

Leonie is regarded as a calm and measured opponent but as someone who will remain firm in her instructions and fight steadfastly for her client. She has extremely good people skills and believes that those greatly assist her in achieving the best outcome for her clients.

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Education

Bury Grammar School
Keele University BA Law and Psychology
College of Law Chester
Qualified as Solicitor in 1982. Transferred to the Bar in 2001.

Professional Memberships

FLBA
Child Concern

Notable Cases

Re: (1) B (2) H (Children) [2012] EWCA Civ 1359

Re: R (A Child) [2014] EWCA Civ 597

Re: LCC v T [2014] EWCA Civ 3321 {Fam}







