

WESTGATE CHAMBERS

Cerys Sayer

Barrister



"Cerys' meticulous approach to preparation and a tenacious attitude in the court room ensured an excellent result for my vulnerable client at the end of a very difficult case"

Cerys is a specialist family law barrister.

Having qualified as a solicitor in 2010 and a solicitor Advocate in 2015, Cerys understands both sides of the profession and how to advise and support lay and professional clients throughout the process. Whilst being recognised as a highly persuasive advocate she is also renowned for her compassionate client care.

Financial Remedies

Cerys is regularly instructed in financial remedy matters regarding the division of marital assets, the enforcement of such orders and the associated costs. With a background in white collar crime, Cerys is forensic in her preparation and approach, which assists her financial remedy practice.

Cerys also accepts instructions in TOLATA and has provided seminars for Law Societies and Resolution.

Private Law

Cerys is also regularly instructed by parents in relation to child arrangement cases. Cerys has specific expertise in dealing with cases that involve parental alienation, coercive control, complex domestic abuse and honour-based violence as well as specific issue orders, prohibited steps and relocation.

Public Law

Cerys accepts instructions from both parents, family members and the children's Guardian at all stages of care proceedings and is highly experienced at dealing with cases involving non-accidental injury, fabricated or induced illness, chronic neglect, substance abuse, mental health and domestic abuse.

Year of Call: 2019

Core Practice Areas:

Family, Private Law, Financial Remedy, Care Proceedings, Civil, Planning, Contentious Probate, Licensing, Direct Access

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Direct Access

Cerys also accepts instructions from lay clients via Direct Access.

Crime

Cerys has conducted cases across the wide spectrum of Criminal law. Notably, Cerys is instructed on County Lines and Modern Slavery cases. Cerys has an aptitude for representing young clients and those with Mental Health and Personality Disorders. Cerys has also completed specialist Youth Justice advocacy training and has previously volunteered at Just for Kids Law.

Seminars

Cerys provides several seminars per year to Solicitor clients, organisations such as Resolution and University bodies on Financial Remedies, TOLATA and Child Arrangements. You can find more information on the seminars that Cerys has provided, [here](#).

Civil

Cerys also has a civil law background having previously represented a wide cross section of clients including Government agencies, Local Authorities and Commercial Landlords, in cases concerning planning, licensing, health and safety, taxi law and contentious probate.

Achievements, appointments and memberships

- CPS Advocate Panel Member: Level 2
- Higher Rights of Audience 2015
- Legal Practice Course: College of Law, Guildford 2007
- Law with French LLB (Hons) 2:1 Aberystwyth and Rennes University 2004
- Member of Howard League for Penal Reform
- Member of the Family Law Bar Association
- Member of the Criminal Bar Association
- Member of the Honourable Middle Temple