

Naomi is briefed in a wide range of family law appearing in the FPC, County and High Courts (RCJ and PRFD). She also represented clients on appeal. She has appeared against a silk in the High Court and been lead by silks in the High Court.

Private Family Law – section 8 Applications

Naomi accepts briefs in all aspects of private family law on notice and ex-parte.

Due to her experience and practise in prison and criminal law she is uniquely placed to deal with cases where one party in the proceedings has been accused or convicted of serious criminal offences or/and serving prison sentences/on licence. She is obviously well versed in the risk assessment/sentence planning course regime in prison, probation and the C.J.S.

She has represented different parties in such cases including the respondent to the convicted persons' application, the convicted person and interested parties in the F.P.C, county but more specifically in the High Courts.

By way of some examples:

- i) Cases concerning applicants seeking contact with their children whilst in prison or on licence who were convicted of murder and sex offences in the High (R.C.J) and County Courts.
- ii) Naomi has represented the grandmother of a daughter who was allegedly killed by her husband in front of the children who applied for residence in care proceedings.
- iii) More recently she has successfully represented a respondent objecting to an application by the father who had been found guilty of the attempted murder of the children and was approaching his release date (prison behaviour problems). No contact was ordered, parental responsibility removed and an order prohibiting future applications granted.

Public Family Law

Naomi has accepted briefs for different parties in care proceedings including the L.A, the mother, father, grandmother and other interested parties. She has represented parties in the F.P.C, county court and the high courts (R.C.J and P.R.F.D) in a wide range of cases. Again her experience in criminal and prison law sits well with her knowledge of family law.

An interesting case in the High Court concerned a mother who had suffered post traumatic syndrome following her experience of the war in Iraq and had suffered injuries as a result of some bombs. The children were returned to the mother.

Injunctive relief

Inevitably Naomi is briefed in this area and often with last minute notice due to the nature of the applications.

Wardship cases

Naomi accepts briefs in this area of law and most recently is briefed in a case in the High Court which is ongoing.

Adoption

Naomi accepts briefs in this area of family law. One recent case concerned a father (of impeccable character) who learned very late in the day that he had a child (a result of a one night stand) and applied to oppose the adoption application at the last minute.

Ancillary relief

Naomi is briefed in this area of law both by legally aided and private clients.

Miscellaneous

Naomi also partakes in sponsored activities to raise money for charities including domestic violence charities.