

Joshua Brindle

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Memberships

Member of Inner Temple
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Overview

Joshua's dedication and commitment to go above and beyond has led to a consistently high standard of work, and an already-established practice supported by loyal solicitors. Commensurate with his ability, his practice is complex and far beyond his year of call.

Joshua's strengths lie in his attention to detail, robust case management, and client care. He is driven to achieve the very best outcome he can for his client and thrives on the challenge that brings; whether it be, for example, in challenging evidence, or in assisting a complex or vulnerable client.

He has already developed a loyal following in private law proceedings, for which he has a natural aptitude owing to his prompt issue analysis and ability to robustly case manage. He is conciliatory by nature and has a good eye for private law cases where resolution of factual disputes may be achieved through drafting factual matrix in appropriate cases avoiding the need for there to be a finding of fact hearing, and the many advantages that brings. He also has experience with the benefits a roundtable can bring in appropriate cases.

Equally, he is a tenacious advocate who is skilled at cross examination and is not intimidated by the prospect of taking a point or navigating a difficult legal argument. His tenacity generally is evident in the four appeal applications he has been instructed to make in recent months.

His skillful cross-examination is evident in having recently represented an intervenor at a complex final hearing involving an allegation that the presence of illicit drugs in a child's system was attributable to his client. The hearing involved complex expert evidence, with some of the other parties being represented by King's Counsel. The court did not make any findings against Joshua's client and absolved his client entirely of any wrongdoing.

His navigation of difficult legal arguments is evident in a recently published case (see below). He represented the children's paternal aunt in SGO proceedings who sought a declaration as to the children's 'looked after' status. Joshua went on to successfully pursue a costs application, with the court ordering the local authority to pay his client's costs.

He is often described as being a safe pair of hands. He has an ability to connect with clients in a way that make them comfortable when they are represented by him, and receptive to his child focused and realistic advice.

He encourages a collaborative and 'hands-on' approach with those that instruct him regularly, appreciating that often such an approach is optimal to achieve the best outcome for a client.

He accepts instructions in the following areas:

- Private law (Child Arrangements Orders, Specific Issue Orders, Prohibited Steps Orders, etc.)
- Public law (Care/Supervision Proceedings, Placement Order applications, etc.)
- Injunctions (Non-Molestation Orders, Occupation Orders, etc.)

Reported Cases

The Local Authority v F & Anor [2023] EWFC 142
– <https://caselaw.nationalarchives.gov.uk/ewfc/2023/142>

Re B (a child) [2023] EWFC 98 –
<https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWFC/HCJ/2023/98.html>

D & Anor v F & Anor [2022] EWHC 3450 (Fam) –
<https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWHC/Fam/2022/3450.html>

Beyond the Bar

Passionate about sewing, ice skating, baking, travelling, reading and writing.