



# Tom Clarke

Call 2015



## Clerks

 Ben Kierman  
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## Memberships

- Northern Circuit

## Education

- 2009- 2012, BA degree in Ancient and Modern History, Worcester College, Oxford [2:1]
- 2013 -2014, Graduate Diploma in Law; Manchester Metropolitan University [Distinction]
- 2014-2015, Bar Professional Training Course, Manchester Metropolitan University [Very Competent]

### Scholarships & Awards

- 2013, Inner Temple: GDL Exhibition Award
- 2013, MMU: GDL Scholarship
- 2014, Inner Temple: BPTC Exhibition Award

## Family

Tom has developed a thriving practice in the specific area of matrimonial finance matters. He regularly appears on behalf of Applicant's and Respondents at First Direction Appointments, Dispute Resolution Hearings and Final Hearings. He is regularly instructed in significant multi asset divorce cases. Alongside his court practice Tom regularly undertakes conferences with solicitors and clients and advises on settlement.

Some examples of recent cases include:

1. Tom successfully obtained a Freezing Injunction in a highly contested multi-asset and multi-million pound case in circumstances where the Respondent had taken over £60,000 from the Applicant's bank account without authorisation.
2. Successfully represented the Respondent in a complex case where the Applicant sought to maintain a financial claim arising from the Applicant's status as a beneficiary in a multi-million pound discretionary trust.
3. Successfully represented an Applicant on the construction of a Xydias agreement in circumstances where the Respondent had sought to initiate financial remedy proceedings.
4. Successfully negotiated settlement in a multi-million pound farming case in circumstances where there were complex issues of law associated with the ringfencing of inherited assets.
5. Achieved a 94% asset division in favour of an Applicant Wife with a successful argument asserting capital and housing need.

Tom also accepts instruction in cases involving occupation orders, prohibited steps orders and non-molestation cases.

Tom is very personable and gives clear and straightforward advice to clients throughout the court process. He is particularly adept at negotiating favourable outcomes for clients at Financial Dispute Resolution Hearings. Tom is an experienced advocate and fights to obtain the absolute best outcome for his clients at all stages of the process.

## Recommendations

“He is one of the most composed human beings I have ever met – his level of composure is second to none.” *Client testimonial*

## Beyond the Bar

Tom likes to play a lot of tennis and attempts to play golf and cricket. When not doing either he enjoys walking in the Lake District.