



Gregory Rogers

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Overview

Greg Rogers is a family law practitioner specialising in public and private children work and family finance. He is the Deputy Head of Chambers, Treasurer and a Pupil Supervisor

Greg has experience of dealing with financial relief, ToLATA claims and applications under Schedule 1 Children Act 1989.

He has extensive experience of both private and public law proceedings, acting for Local Authorities, parents and children at all levels of the Family Court and before the Court of Appeal.

The majority of his practice is public law children work including cases involving sexual abuse, physical abuse, emotional abuse, alleged non-accidental injuries to children, child death and child sexual exploitation.

Practice Areas

Public Law Children

Greg has been a member of Chambers since 1993, and is the Deputy Head of Chambers. He has extensive experience of:

- Private law proceedings
- Public law proceedings
- Acting for Local Authorities
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The majority of his practice is public law children work, including cases involving:

- Vulnerable and protected parties
- Complex factual and medical evidence
- Sexual abuse including intra and inter familial abuse
- Physical abuse including domestic abuse, fabricated illness, NAI and child death
- Emotional abuse in all its forms

Greg has experience of both representing and cross-examining children and other vulnerable witnesses, in particular those with learning disabilities. He has undertaken Vulnerable Witness Training.

Managing expectations, a willingness to address difficult and unpalatable issues head on, combined with sensible and

pragmatic advice is an intrinsic component of his representation. He brings a detailed knowledge of the law, with an ability to produce focussed and persuasive written and oral submissions woven into a relaxed but firm style.

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Notable cases

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RE T (Children: Placement Order) [2008] EWCA Civ 248, 1 FLR 1721, All ER (D) 279

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Qualifications

BA (Hons)

Memberships

Family Law Bar Association

Recommendations

Chambers and Partners 2023: "Greg's ability to work on complex matters, with difficult clients and situations is so impressive. He never gets flustered whatever the situation or case may throw up." "Greg is a strong and persuasive advocate who provides a calm and realistic perspective." "He has a thorough and an excellent manner with clients and the Tribunal. He is well prepared."

Legal 500 2023: "Gregory is calm in his approach. He is incredibly experienced and well respected by the courts and his peers. He is sought after by instructing solicitors. He places parent clients and professional clients at ease whilst being meticulous in his approach to the law and the case his client wishes him to put."

Chambers & Partners 2022: "He is great on his feet and at cross-examination even when the chips are down." "Greg is very experienced with an excellent reputation. He's a safe pair of hands."

Chambers & Partners 2021: "He is very good with agitated clients. His knowledge is second to none and he brings a certain calmness to a case."

Legal 500 2021: "Extremely experienced and knowledgeable, he presents his cases diligently, calmly and extremely effectively."

Chambers & Partners 2020: "He's always impressed me in terms of his level of preparation and focus, and is very effective in court."

Legal 500 2019: "Recommended for care cases."

Chambers & Partners 2019: "Clever and measured." "A calm and confident advocate."

Legal 500 2018: "Regularly acts in public law children cases."

Chambers & Partners 2018: "A superb barrister whose legal knowledge is brilliant. He gets to the core of the issue and fights for his clients in court." "He is a great matrimonial finance lawyer and is very good on the child law side."

Chambers & Partners 2017: "Excellent advocate, very diplomatic and good with clients. A well-respected barrister in court."

Chambers & Partners 2016: "He is stand out and an absolutely class act. He is really well prepared and focuses on the issues without getting bogged down in the details." "He is a very good advocate; he has a very appealing style in court and is good at cross-examining."

Further Information

Greg joined Chambers in 1993. He is the Deputy Head of Chambers.

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