



# Katherine Couper

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Katherine Couper is a specialist family barrister, who maintains a diverse practice spanning children and finance work.

She is qualified to accept instructions under the **Direct Access** scheme.

## Expertise

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### Private Law Children

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Katherine's practice encompasses a wide range of child arrangement disputes, internal and external relocation, Family Law Act applications (including forced marriage), specific issue conflicts, and FGM protection orders. She has had several high profile successes in securing change of residence for children who have been the subjects of parental alienation.

Katherine has particular expertise in applications under the Hague Convention concerning international child abduction. Before coming to the Bar, she worked in the child abduction team of a pre-eminent London solicitors' firm.

### Financial Remedy / Cohabitation

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Katherine appears and advises in cases involving a wide-range of issues, including Schedule 1 provision and disputes between cohabittees relating to Trusts of Land. She is praised for her straightforward and pragmatic advice.

Katherine is often instructed to advise on non-litigious matters, including the drafting of pre and post-nuptial agreements.

## Public Law Children

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Katherine has broad experience acting for local authorities, parents and children, including in the areas of non-accidental injury, substance misuse, domestic violence, and international placements. She has particular experience dealing with disputes involving international jurisdictional issues.

## Awards

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- Sir Joseph Cantley Scholar, Middle Temple
- Cohen Scholarship, BPP Law School

## Qualifications

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- BPTC (distinction), BPP Law School
- GDL (distinction), BPP Law School
- BA Hons, University of Manchester

## Professional Memberships

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- Family Law Bar Association
- Middle Temple