

### **Specialist Areas**

Public Law Children: Care Proceedings and Adoption

Out of Court Solutions (NCDR)

### Who is Gary Fawcett?

Gary has been in Chambers in Southampton since 1977 and is primarily a family and relationship practitioner. He has extensive experience in dealing with all types of applications under various legislation that involve Divorce and separation, and Public Law including; Matrimonial Causes Act, Children Act, Family Law Act, Civil Partnership Act, and Inheritance Act.

Gary is happy to advise in conference, in writing or over the telephone, and is able to take instructions from solicitors, and other professionals.

Public and Direct Access: Gary is authorised by the Bar Standards Board to conduct public direct access and litigation. Gary is happy to take on cases from Solicitors, to maintain continuum, where the client's money is limited.

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# **Legal Expertise**

For more information or to get in touch with Gary please contact the clerks room who will be happy to assist you.

### **Public Law Children: Care Proceedings and Adoption**

Gary has extensive experience in dealing with care proceedings, ranging from the start of proceedings eg Emergency Protection hearings, through the process of Interim Care Order, Case Management hearings and Issue Resolution hearings.

He has represented Local Authorities, parents, guardians, children and interveners in care cases. He regularly deals with cases involving allegations of neglect, sexual abuse and non-accidental injury, and is fully conversant with the complex medical evidence and expert testimony. He is also experienced in dealing with cases involving adoption, special guardianship, long-term foster care placements, residential placements, secure units and cases involving parties with serious learning difficulties.

#### Gary

- · Acts for local authorities, parents, children's guardians and interveners
- Experienced in particularly sensitive and complex care proceedings
- · Experienced in alleged non-accidental injury cases and proceedings
- Sexual abuse
- Particular experience of representing both vulnerable and aggressive clients
- · Secure accommodation orders

### **Out of Court Solutions (NCDR)**

**Private FDR** 

Single Joint Advices/Early Neutral Evaluation

**Round Table Meetings/Joint Conferences** 

Merits, Advice, Drafting And Support Package



## **Professional Info**

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### **Qualifications**

LLB (Hons) Southampton University 1972

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### **Personal Info**

Away from Chambers, enjoys creative writing, having self-published two novels (eg babysrevenge.co.uk) and occasional portrait painting. Gary's interests requiring more physical exertion include modern jive, skiing, horse riding, driving and breaking horses and walking his dog. The foregoing have lead to an appreciation of at the art of brewing.