

Year of Call: 1988

Practice Areas: Family, Employment, , Court of Protection, Mental Health, Judicial Review

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Profile

Having studied law at University College London and completing the Bar Vocational Course, Deanna undertook a public law pupillage, with an emphasis on judicial review at what is now 39 Essex Chambers, London.

She returned to Manchester and joined Cobden House Chambers where she has been a Tenant ever since.

Family

Deanna practices exclusively in all aspects of public and private family law involving children in the family Court



Court of Protection

Deanna's practice in the Court of Protection includes best interest hearings, capacity disputes and welfare matters involving residence care and contact. Also, issues relating to health, consent to medical and dental treatment and Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards. Her experience in family law ensures that she is very well placed to deal with transfers from the Family Court to the Court of Protection pursuant to Part 1 Section 21 of the Mental Capacity Act 2005 (As Amended).

Judicial Review

Deanna's practice also encompasses judicial review of decisions in relation to the above.

Mental Health

Deanna's mental health practice covers mental health tribunals and Displacement of Nearest Relative Hearings.

Employment

Deanna is an employment law specialist and acts for both Claimants and Respondents, with a particular emphasis on claims for unfair and wrongful dismissal, all forms of discrimination and whistle blowing claims in the health care sector and financial services. She also advises on issues relating to restrictive covenants, garden leave and misuse of confidential information.

Membership

Deanna is a member of the Employment Lawyers Association and is a member of the Bar Pro Bono Scheme which represents litigants in

person. She is a member of Middle Temple.