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Practice Overview

Alison has been practising at the Bar in the South West for 14 years.

Alison undertakes all aspects of family law. She is approachable and experienced in dealing with clients struggling to cope with some of life's most difficult challenges. In care cases this includes, although is not limited to, representing some of the most vulnerable of parents.

Alison has a special interest in financial remedy applications; in particular pension cases and those involving family businesses or fishing and farming cases. She is always happy to assist in the instruction of relevant experts.

She is experienced in Schedule 1 Children Act applications.

Alison also undertakes TOLATA work, Inheritance Act claims and probate work. As to the latter, testamentary capacity is an area of particular interest and experience.

Financial Remedies/Ancillary Relief

Alison's primary area of interest relates to applications for financial provision and financial consequences of relationship and/or familial breakdown. She is regularly instructed in all types of applications for financial provisions and has particular interest in cases where the issues centre upon pension assets and/or a family business or farm. Alison is experienced in advising and assisting in the instructions of expert actuarial and accountancy evidence and is content to assist in the drafting of appropriate letters of instruction.

Care & Adoption

Alison regularly undertakes Schedule 1 Children Act claims. Alison is instructed on behalf of parents in care proceedings and has experience of representing grandparents. As would be expected of those undertaking such work, she is experienced in assisting the most vulnerable and challenged members of society.

Probate & Inheritance

Alison undertakes work on all types of probate matters (including variation of trusts) and has a particular interest and experience of cases where capacity is put in issue. She is happy to assist at an early stage with the garnering of medical evidence.

Private Child Law

Alison undertakes all private law children cases. She is frequently instructed in contact and residence cases, including rule 16.4 Guardians and NYAS caseworkers. She is experienced in complex finding of fact matters. She is regularly instructed in injunctions and related applications under the Family Law Act 1996. She has experience of representing clients with learning difficulties

TOLATA

Alison is often instructed in TOLATA cases. These are frequently, though not always, combined with Schedule 1 Children Act Matters. She is experienced in conducting cases where improvements to property is the issue.