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Interests

Loves spending time with her family, especially her two young children.

Memberships

Member of Gray's Inn

Member of the FLBA

Member of the Northern Circuit

Profile

Before completing pupillage at Unit Chambers and becoming a Consultant Barrister, Lyana was a local authority solicitor for fourteen years working in a busy legal department for children's services. As a result she has an in-depth and dynamic knowledge of the workings of social services, practices, policies regulations, governance and good practice.

Lyana has a fantastic ability to communicate with lay and professional clients. She is a strategic thinker and has an outstanding ability to think of alternative solutions to problems.

During her pupillage, Lyana has developed key strengths in preparing core documents required for the court process. In addition she has finessed her advocacy skills, with a particular focus on cross-examination, to ensure her clients' interests and rights are fairly and properly represented.

Under the supervision of the experienced Unit Chambers barristers, Lyana has stood out as an effective and passionate advocate with outstanding skills in legal research and case preparation.

Lyana is a team player at Unit Chambers. She regularly contributes to the internal 'Education Hour' by producing user-friendly crib sheets. In addition, she has presented to over 80 solicitors at a recent education workshop.

Lyana is currently a mentor at the Staffordshire University Mentoring Scheme, providing guidance and support to aspiring legal professionals.

Lyana is now accepting instructions on behalf of local authorities and parents. Her practice encompasses both public and private children law, which includes:

- Child Arrangement Orders (spend time with/live with orders)
- Applications for Prohibited Steps Orders and Specific Issue Orders
- Fact Finding Hearings
- Applications for Special Guardianship Orders
- Care Proceedings
- Discharge of Care Orders
- Adoption Applications/Leave to Oppose Adoption Applications/Leave to Revoke Placement Orders
- Injunctive Relief (Non-molestation and Occupation Orders)

Qualifications

2016 | BPP University, London, Bar Transfer Test

2001 - 2002 | The College of Law, Christleton, Legal Practice Course

1998 - 2001 | Staffordshire University, LLB (Hons)

Professional Experience

Legal

2020 - Present | Consultant Barrister, Unit Chambers

2006 - 2020 | Assistant Solicitor, Knowsley Council, Merseyside

2004 - 2006 | Trainee Solicitor, Gamlins Solicitors, North Wales

2002 - 2004 | Paralegal, Emmanuel Solicitors, North Wales