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### Memberships

Member of Gray's Inn

Member of the FLBA

Member of Child Concern

Member of the Northern Circuit

#### **Interests**

Enjoys cooking, socialising, fitness and martial arts such as Thai boxing and Brazilian jiu-jitsu.

### **Profile**

Amjad was called to the Bar in 2018 and joined Unit Chambers as a Consultant Barrister in November 2021 following the completion of a 12-month pupillage at Unit Chambers under the supervision of Lisa Edmunds. Throughout his pupillage, Amjad has stood out as a bright, empathetic, and confident advocate with outstanding skills in legal research, drafting, and the presentation of complex legal and factual arguments.

Since joining Unit Chambers as a Consultant Barrister, Amjad has developed a busy practice in both public and private children law representing Local Authorities and parents. Amjad often accepts instructions for cases involving a wide spectrum of issues such as neglect, non-accidental injuries, domestic abuse, alcohol and substance misuse, trafficking, and honour-based abuse.

Before pupillage at Unit Chambers, Amjad worked in the family department of MSB Solicitors. This enabled Amjad to learn and develop key skills that every family law practitioner requires. He has a natural ability to support clients, build a strong rapport, and a good working relationship with them. Amjad ensures that excellent client care is at the heart of his decision-making. He has a proven ability to listen to and relate with clients from different backgrounds.

Amjad is a team player at Unit Chambers. He regularly contributes to the internal 'Education Hour' sessions as well as writing articles for chambers and delivering presentations to solicitors through Unit Chambers' workshops.

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

- Care and Supervision Orders
- Interim Care Orders and Removal
- Section 8 Orders (CAO, PSO, SIO)
- Fact-Finding Hearings
- Occupation Orders
- Non-Molestation Orders
- Forced Marriage
- FGM Protection Order

In addition to his current portfolio, Amjad has a keen interest to build and expand his practice to include cases which feature a number of niche areas including honour- based violence and abuse, human trafficking and international child abduction.

### Qualifications

2017 - 2018 | Northumbria University (BPTC) 2014 - 2017 | Newcastle University (LLB)

# **Professional Experience**

## Legal

2021 - Present | Consultant Barrister, Unit Chambers
 2020 - 2021 | Pupil Barrister, Unit Chambers
 2019 - 2020 | Paralegal / Family Court Clerk, MSB Solicitors

# Voluntary Extra-Curricular Experience

2016 - 2017 | Founder and President, Newcastle University Bar Society
 2015 - 2017 | Ambassador, Street Law Pro Bono Programme

## **Reported Cases**

• St Helens Council v M & Ors [2022] EWFC 167 (16 December 2022)