



Community  
Legal Service



## ANDREW SKINNER BARRISTER PROFILE

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## AREAS OF PRACTICE

### Private Law Children

Andrew specialises in all areas of law relating to Children. Within private law proceedings he has extensive experience dealing with cases across the spectrum; from serious violence cases (including murder); cases with an international element including abduction and child abuse; residence and specific issue applications to the most straightforward contact disputes. Whatever the case it is approached with the same diligence; the aim being to secure the best possible outcome for the client with the minimum of distress.

### Public Law Children

Andrew also undertakes all forms of public law work. He accepts instructions from Local Authorities but is best known for his work on behalf of families and Guardians on behalf of the children. Many acknowledge that within this field all clients, though parents in particular, are usually under great emotional strain. Andrew strives to put all at ease during all stages of the litigation and is known to be "user friendly", whilst being straight talking when required!

### Ancillary Relief

Andrew's practice in this field ranges from the high value case to the low asset "needs based" case. Each is met with the same attention to detail, acknowledging that the client is usually in a highly emotional state but at the same time not shirking from giving sound practical advice at all times.

### Cohabitation Law

In addition to the problems for married couples, Andrew receives instructions on behalf of co-habitants, civil partners, co-owners and family members in relation to all areas of dispute.

### Injunctions

Andrew undertakes all areas under the Family Law Act 1996 as amended by the Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004.

### Civil -Personal Injury & Chancery

Andrew still accepts instructions in civil law cases ranging including personal injury and contract law.

## AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Private Children
- Public Law (Care & Adoption)
- Matrimonial Finance & Property
- Injunction
- Personal Injury
- Chancery Company & Commercial
- Education
- Mental Health & Community Care

## QUALIFICATION & UNIVERSITY

- (2000), Middle Temple
- BA (Hons), Loughborough
- Dip Law, Newcastle

## MEMBERSHIP

- Family Law Bar Association

## SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

- Benefactors Scholar Middle Temple

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

Andrew is a keen breeder of springer and cocker spaniels. He enjoys spending time with his fiancée and their six dogs.

## CASES OF NOTE

Mabon v Mabon [2005]  
2 FLR 1011