



Timothy Bowe

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Overview

Timothy is a specialist family law practitioner and Recorder in family law (Northern Circuit).

Timothy has extensive experience in representing local authorities, parents and children in complex public and private law cases. He has a strong reputation for thoughtful, forensic legal analysis and skilful advocacy and is well known for adopting a client focused approach to cases. He works effectively and inclusively with both lay and professional clients.

He is currently ranked on the Legal 500 (2021) as a Tier 1 Leading Junior in Child Law (Public and Private).

Areas of interest include:

- child death
- serious physical injury
- allegations of physical, emotional and sexual abuse
- fabricated/induced illness (FI)
- cases with a jurisdictional element
- surrogacy and fertility law
- intractable residence and contact disputes
- deprivation of liberty

Timothy is the Head of Pupillage and recruitment at St Ives Chambers.

Recent reported cases:

A City Council v M & Ors [2020] EWCA 947 (Fam)

Re: C (A Child: Parental Order & Child Arrangements Order) [2020] EWHC 2474

Re: C (A Child: Parental Order & Child Arrangements Order) [2020] EWHC 214

Practice Areas

Public Law Children

Timothy is an experienced advocate who has a strong reputation built upon representing clients in complex family law work. He frequently appears in exceptionally serious public law cases and is regularly led by senior counsel in the Family Division.

Timothy is a knowledgeable advocate who has broad experience in representing local authorities, family members, children and young persons in challenging a family law work. Timothy's cases often feature multi-agency involvement by the police/CPS/NHS Trusts. Timothy has also acted as lead counsel in an inquiry for a public authority covering care work and employment law.

Timothy has an established reputation for detailed preparation and forensic case analysis. He has a relaxed, reassuring style that enables him to put clients at ease.

Public law

Timothy has a wealth of experience in acting in all types of public family law work. He has a particular interest in cases involving:

- Fabricated/Induced illness (FII)/poisoning
- Brussels II
- Non-accidental injury
- Serious sexual harm
- Human rights/jurisdictional issues
- The giving of evidence of vulnerable individuals
- Surrogacy

Private Law Children

Timothy acts for parents, children and extended family members in all aspects of private law proceedings, including:-

- Child arrangement disputes (including residence and contact)
- Human rights/jurisdiction issues

To find out more, email familyclerks@stiveschambers.co.uk.

Dispute Resolution

Timothy regularly acts for parents, children and extended family members in all aspects of private law proceedings, including:-

- Child arrangement orders
- Human rights cases
- Complex jurisdiction issues
- Complex findings of fact hearings (including allegations of FII, sexual, physical and emotional harm)
- International surrogacy disputes

Timothy was appointed as a Recorder 2018 and sits on the Northern Circuit. Timothy has a wealth of experience in case managing complex private law disputes, deciding difficult and sensitive fact-finding hearings and dealing with cases involving arguments over jurisdiction.

Up until 2019 Timothy was the regional Secretary of the FLBA in the West Midlands.

Timothy is the Head of Pupillage at Chambers and oversees a comprehensive programme of advocacy training. He regularly speaks at Chambers' seminars and delivers lectures of developing areas of law.

Qualifications

MA History (Cantab)

CPE/Diploma in Law (City University)

BVC (Inns of Court School of Law)

Major Scholar (Inner Temple)

Appointments

Family Law Recorder (Northern Circuit) 2018

Memberships

Family Law Bar Association

Recommendations

Legal 500 2021: "Thoughtful, analytical and well-organised, he is skilful in his advocacy."

Legal 500 2019: "His charming court manner and understated advocacy style makes him a very appealing advocate."

Legal 500 2018: "Recommended for cases involving non-accidental injuries and sexual abuse."

Legal 500 2017: "His advice is always on-point."

Legal 500 2016: "He has a keen intelligence, excellent attention to detail and is an eloquent advocate."

Legal 500 2015: "Erudite and intelligent in equal measure."

Legal 500 2011: "Superb"

Legal 500: "Timothy Bowe was described as a promising junior in care proceedings."

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