

**JANET MITCHELL**

Janet Mitchell  
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**Practice Areas:**  
Abduction & International  
Movement  
Adoption & Special  
Guardianship  
Care Proceedings  
Child Arrangements  
Court of Protection  
Domestic Violence &  
Injunctions

**Expertise**

Janet has a high reputation as a skilled advocate with a strong commitment to achieving the best outcome for her clients. It is important to her that she approaches both professional and lay clients in the same way – sympathetically and with hard work and professionalism. It is essential for Janet that every client knows that they are being listened to, that they have the very best legal representation and that they are being given excellent advice. She researches and prepares each case with a great deal of care and consideration.

Janet's wide ranging practice includes

- serious non-accidental injury and sexual abuse cases involving complex disputed medical evidence and evidence from children and vulnerable adults
- international cases including child abduction, child-trafficking and placement abroad
- adoption and special guardianship
- domestic violence
- forced marriage
- female genital mutilation (FGM) and
- honour-based violence.

Janet also practices in the court of protection in cases concerning vulnerable adults. Janet represents local authorities and vulnerable adults as well as other family members.

Janet frequently leads training events and teaching seminars with a particular focus of child care law.

**Directories**

Janet Mitchell of Four Brick Court is noted for her abilities in private and public Law children matters. According to one impressed peer she is, "a fantastic advocate who displays impeccable judgement." She is, "well versed in a variety of public and private children matters from child death and non accidental injury cases to adoption and abduction related proceedings – a fantastic advocate." Chambers & Partners

**Education**

University:  
University of London

Law School:  
Inns of Court School of Law

**Memberships**

FLBA  
Middle Temple

## **Languages**

French

## **Cases**

Re B (Children) [2010] EWCA Civ 363

A Council v B & Ors [2007] EWHC 2395 (Fam)

Re W (Care Proceedings: Witness Anonymity) [2002] EWCA Civ 1626