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**Practice Areas:**  
Abduction & International  
Movement  
Adoption & Special  
Guardianship  
Care Proceedings  
Child Arrangements  
Domestic Violence &  
Injunctions

**Expertise**

Isabelle Watson specialises in complex public and private law cases. Isabelle has a well established expertise in cases involving allegations of sexual abuse, non-accidental injury, neglect, child fatalities and emotional abuse. She is regularly instructed on behalf of local authorities, parents and children in the most serious and intractable of proceedings. A significant proportion of her work now involves cases with parallel criminal proceedings and complex medical issues.

Isabelle is a trainer for expert witnesses and the Middle Temple advocacy programme. She also participates in seminars provided by Four Brick Court. She has been a pupil supervisor (Middle Temple) since 2003.

**Education**

University:  
King's College, Cambridge, BA (Hons) French and Spanish

Law Conversion:  
Polytechnic of Central London

Law School:  
Inns of Court School of Law (1991)

**Memberships**

FLBA  
Association of Lawyers for Children  
Middle Temple

**Languages**

French (Fluent)  
Spanish (Fluent)  
Italian

**Cases**

[Re NL \(A Child\) \(Appeal: Interim Care Order: Facts and Reasons\) \[2014\] EWHC 270 \(Fam\)](#)

[Re C \(Interim Care Order\) \[2011\] EWCA Civ 918](#)

[Re X, Y, Z \(Minors\) \[2011\] EWHC 1267 \(Fam\)](#)

Re X Y Z (Minors) [2011] EWHC 402 (Fam)

Re B (Children) [2010] EWCA Civ 363

Re B (Children) [2008] UKHL 35

A Council v B & Ors [2007] EWHC 2688 (Fam)

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

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