

## LUBEYA RAMADHAN

Year of call  
2000



Lubeya Ramadhan now practises exclusively in family law, specialising in public and private law. She started her career with a combined criminal and family practice.

Lubeya has extensive experience in acting for parents, local authorities, extended family members and children's guardians in cases that often involve complex issues of physical, sexual or emotional abuse. Lubeya regularly represents parents with learning difficulties in cases with Official Solicitor involvement and is able to quickly form a rapport with vulnerable clients.

Lubeya has an approachable manner and gives clear, pragmatic advice. In Court she is an effective and determined advocate, robust where a case demands it and committed to fighting her client's case and achieving the best possible outcome. She has appeared at all levels of tribunal up to the Court of Appeal.

### LEGAL EXPERTISE

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#### Private Law Children Proceedings

Regularly instructed in residence, contact and specific issue applications. Particular expertise in lengthy and complex disputes where there has been involvement of children's services or where it is necessary for a Guardian to be appointed. She has significant experience of protracted litigation where one of the parties is implacably hostile or there is evidence of parental alienation.

Experienced in international and domestic relocation cases.

#### Selected Cases

## Re S (A Child) [2013] EWCA Civ 1254

Successfully acting for a father in resisting an appeal brought by a stepfather against findings made that he had sexually assaulted his step daughter

Complex fact finding involving allegations of sexual abuse made by a young child against her father.

## S v B

Fact finding and final hearing involving allegations of rape, arson with intent to endanger life and threats to kill.

## W v W

Fact finding involving allegations of serious physical and emotional abuse.

## B v B

Final hearing involving implacably hostile mother.

## F v S

Successfully represented mother in her application for permission to relocate to Poland.

## Care Proceedings & Adoption

Lubeya is experienced at representing parents and guardians in care proceedings. She has a wealth of experience in cases involving non-accidental injuries, emotional, physical and sexual abuse and cases of chronic neglect.

With previous experience in criminal law, Lubeya is an experienced trial advocate and brings a forensic and thorough approach to cases. The majority of her cases involve complicated fact finding and final hearings where it is necessary to challenge expert medical and/or psychological evidence.

## Selected Cases

### M (A Child) [2018] EWCA Civ 2043

Successfully resisted a father's appeal against an order to return his 15-year-old daughter to England from Thailand when he had absconded with her during care proceedings.

Acting for the children in a fact finding involving serious burns to a 3 week old baby.

Representing a parent in a 'baby shaking' case.

## Re P

Fact finding and final hearing with concurrent criminal proceedings.

## Child Abduction

Lubeya is an experienced practitioner in the field of child abduction. She is instructed in cases concerning;

- Applications for summary return under the 1980 Hague Convention
- Wardship
- Applications pursuant to the inherent jurisdiction of the High Court.

## Memberships

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- Criminal Bar Association
- Family Law Bar Association
- Western Circuit

## Education

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- Blackstone Award, Middle Temple
- Jules Thorn Scholar, Middle Temple
- LLB (Law), University of Sussex