



## SUSAN REED

Year of call  
1984

Practising exclusively in child law, Susan Reed is highly regarded for her expertise across all aspects of Children Act proceedings, but above all for her work on public law cases and adoption matters.

She regularly appears in complex and serious public and private law cases where medical issues have arisen or allegations of sexual abuse have been made. Her client base includes local authorities, parents, and guardians, as well as intervening grandparents or other family members.

She has considerable experience in representing those with mental health difficulties or learning disability. Susan speaks and writes on her areas of legal speciality.

## LEGAL EXPERTISE

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### Family Law

Practising exclusively in child law and predominantly on the Midland Circuit and in London, Susan is highly regarded for her expertise in Children Act proceedings, particularly public law cases, although she also has experience in private law applications.

Susan has extensive specialist experience of care proceedings which investigate allegations of physical, sexual or emotional abuse, and she has been involved many cases where parents are alleged to have induced or fabricated illness in their children. She has been instructed in cases invoking the use of the inherent jurisdiction and wardship to protect teenagers, and has also acted in cases of adult incapacity and the use of the inherent jurisdiction to regulate abortion or other forms of medical treatment.

Susan's client base includes parents, guardians, and local authorities. As a criminal practitioner in her early

years at the Bar, Susan is readily equipped to advise upon the many issues involved when parallel proceedings are ongoing in the Family and Criminal Courts.

## Memberships

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- Association of Lawyers for Children
- Family Law Bar Association