

Theresa Lim

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Solicitor: 2005

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Care and adoption

Theresa Lim regularly acts for parents, guardians, extended family members, intervenors, and the Official Solicitor.

She has a particular interest in NAI cases and has appeared in cases involving brain and skull injury, rib fractures, limb fractures, extensive bruising and sexual abuse.

Theresa is experienced in representing parties in care cases involving:

- Non accidental injury/death of a child
- Sexual abuse (parent and or sibling)(acting for the alleged perpetrator/victim/non-perpetrating parent or carer)
- Expert/medico-legal issues (including Factitious disorder by proxy)
- Chronic neglect, drug and alcohol addiction (including cases in the FDAC)
- Domestic violence and sexual abuse/offending
- Serious mental illness/personality disorders
- S.38(6) assessments
- S.34 applications
- Adoption/Special Guardianship/Wardship
- Secure Accommodation/Deprivation of Liberty
- Parents or children with special needs/cognitive impairment and capacity issues
- Revocation of placement orders/discharge of Care Orders

As a solicitor, Theresa was the first to give notice to Birmingham City Council under S. 14 Children Act 1989 leading to one of the first Special Guardianship Orders being made in Birmingham.

Recommendations

"Tenacious and talented". "She is an advocate who will fight her client's case tirelessly but fairly". Theresa has the ability to "communicate with lay clients in a compassionate way, whilst in turn communicating effectively with her peers and the judiciary" – **Head of Childcare Department**

"Exceptionally competent advocate" – **Principal Solicitor**

"Theresa's advocacy skills are excellent" – **Solicitor & Director**

Academic qualifications

- LPC, The College of Law, Birmingham
- Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.)(Hons), Nottingham Trent University

Professional bodies

- The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn
- Family Law Bar Association
- Member of the Association of Lawyers for Children
- Court of Protection Bar Association
- CoPPA