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## Children and Finance overlap

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Lucy Davis & Emily Chapman

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## Contact details



Lucy Davis  
Call: 2003

Lucy represents parents, family members and guardians in complex private children proceedings, with expertise in emotionally sensitive and high-conflict disputes. She is known for her careful handling of vulnerable individuals and cases involving psychological or emotional abuse.

Lucy has particular experience in cases involving neurodiversity, particularly where children or parents present with ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorder or related conditions. She is experienced in ensuring proceedings are managed fairly and sensitively for neurodiverse clients and families and is dedicated to securing the right outcome for children with specialist needs.

She also has a wealth of experience in cases involving narcissistic personality traits and behaviours, featuring situations where communication dynamics, emotional manipulation or deep-rooted conflict significantly impact co-parenting and the welfare of the child.

She is frequently instructed in Implacable hostility and parental alienation cases, involving highly entrenched disputes where contact has broken down, and the court is required to consider complex welfare and psychological evidence.

Her practice also involves cases concerning cases involving cultural and religious dimensions, consisting of disputes concerning upbringing, education, faith practices, relocation and identity issues within multicultural families.

Lucy has experience in representation involving Rule 16.4 / Guardian appointments, covering matters where children require separate representation due to complexity, welfare concerns or allegations of significant harm.

She is well versed in handling applications for grandparents contact orders, including cases consisting of fractured family relationships, long-term caregiving arrangements and restoration of family relationships following separation.

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Emily Chapman  
Call: 2023

Emily Chapman is a specialist family practitioner and accepts instructions across all areas of family law, including financial remedies, private children, public children and applications brought under TOLATA and FLA 1996.

Emily regularly represents clients at all levels of proceedings and has appeared independently at all levels up to and including the High Court. She frequently acts in cases involving serious allegations of domestic abuse, parental alienation or substance misuse.

Prior to joining Chambers, Emily successfully completed pupillage at a leading family law set where she assisted with a variety of complex cases, gaining experience in multiple areas of family law spanning financial remedies, private children, public children and international matters.

Whilst pursuing her legal studies, Emily volunteered with the Citizens Advice Witness Service, offering practical information and emotional support to vulnerable witnesses. Emily has mooted extensively and in 2023, following six rounds of competition, she competed as a finalist in Middle Temple's Rosamund Smith Mooting Competition and represented Middle Temple in a series of moots against the University of North Carolina.



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