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Rebekah joined Chambers in April 2022 following successful completion of a common law pupillage. She has a busy family and civil practice.

Prior to pupillage, Rebekah spent two years as a paralegal at a specialist family law firm where she worked on cases in all areas of private family proceedings. She gained experience in financial remedies cases across a variety of asset levels, including those with complex business issues, international elements and nuptial agreements. In addition, she assisted with TOLATA claims and surrogacy cases as well as private children cases ranging from CAOs to applications for leave to remove.

Rebekah was then a paralegal to a barrister specialising in personal injury and clinical negligence for 18 months. In this role, she was exposed to multi-track litigation with a particular focus on cases involving traumatic brain injuries. She assisted in preparing for CCMCs, joint settlement meetings and infant approval hearings and acquired experience drafting high value schedules, including for fatal accident claims.

Alongside studying for the BPTC and working as a paralegal, Rebekah volunteered at the National Centre for Domestic Violence assisting victims of domestic abuse to apply for non-molestation and occupation orders. She also provided pro bono advice and representation at the East London Family Court.

Family Finance

Rebekah has a busy and growing family finance practice and has experience dealing with cases involving intervenors, companies, property portfolios and non-disclosure of assets.

She has particular experience in this area having been under the supervision of Jennifer Lee during pupillage and

having worked as a family paralegal prior to pupillage.

Rebekah is also a regular contributor to the Financial Remedies Journal.

Selected Cases

P v P

Junior counsel to Imogen Robins in a case with net assets of approximately £12m, including a company (which owned commercial property), a residential property portfolio and pensions.

G v B

Acting for W at a final hearing. Following Rebekah's cross-examination of H and multiple of his family members and friends who gave evidence in support of him, the Judge made findings that H had lied to the court in respect of (a) his earnings, (b) sums transferred to family and friends and (c) his ownership of a property outside the jurisdiction. The Judge also found that his family had colluded to assist him. As a result, all of the known UK assets were transferred to W and a costs order was made against H.

F v W

At FDR, Rebekah persuaded the court that H's personal misconduct was a relevant factor, such that there should be an unequal division of the FMH in her client's favour. The Judge endorsed W's without prejudice proposal, on which Rebekah had advised in conference, and Rebekah achieved a settlement resulting in her client receiving 86% of the global assets.

Children

Rebekah is regularly instructed in private children matters and represents clients at all stages, from FHDRAs to final hearings and fact-finds. She has experience dealing with cases involving domestic abuse, the involvement of the local authority and allegations of parental alienation.

Civil

Rebekah accepts instructions in all areas of civil law. She has a particular interest in personal injury claims and is frequently instructed in claims arising from road traffic accidents, including those involving credit hire issues.

Rebekah can provide written advice where appropriate and is experienced in drafting pleadings.

Rebekah has also appeared in possession claims and bankruptcy proceedings.

Property Law

Rebekah is fast developing her property practice and is able to provide advice and representation across all property matters, both residential and commercial.

She has recently acted for Defendants seeking relief from forfeiture of a commercial lease and has regularly acted for landlords in possession proceedings.

Qualifications

- MA (Hons) Jurisprudence (Law), St Hilda's College, Oxford
- BPTC LLM (Very Competent and Distinction in LLM), University of Law
- Middle Temple Major Scholarship

Professional associations

- Middle Temple
- PiBA
- FLBA

Professional activities

- Middle Temple