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Summary

Amanda graduated in Law from Bristol University and was called to the Bar in 1984. She is a Hardwicke Scholar of Lincoln's Inn. She joined KCH Garden Square in 1990 and was previously a member of chambers in Bristol.

Amanda has an excellent reputation amongst the Bar, Judiciary and with Solicitors for her meticulous preparation, her high professional standards and her tenacious advocacy skills. She is a formidable opponent and is always willing to 'go the extra mile'. She has much experience in representing vulnerable clients with mental health difficulties or learning disability.

Amanda was previously an Assistant Coroner for Nottinghamshire and welcomes further instructions regarding inquest work.

Professional Experience

Family

Amanda has developed an extensive Family Law practice and regularly appears in complex public and private law cases. In addition she has experience of dealing with Forced Marriage cases.

Amanda regularly acts for parents, Guardians, interveners, the Official Solicitor and local authorities. She has considerable expertise in proceedings involving serious allegations of physical, sexual or emotional abuse.

Amanda has a wealth of experience in dealing with complex medical issues. She also brings this expertise into her representation of those involved in Inquest hearings.

Amanda has recently (February 2018) been commended by the Judge in a case involving significant fracture injuries for taking the experts to information contained in the child's medical record which suggested that the child may be suffering from the condition, osteogenesis imperfecta. Such a diagnosis would have serious consequences for the experts' findings that the injuries were non accidental.

As a result of this, the final hearing had to be halted whilst genetic testing was carried out. The testing revealed that the child was found to be suffering from this life changing condition. This entirely changed the landscape of the case whereby the child was successfully returned to the care of the birth parents and is now receiving the appropriate specialist medical care for this condition.

Additional Info

Amanda has been a school governor for a number of years and has also been a member of an ethics committee at Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham. She has been a non-medical member of the management committee of Paediatric and Adolescent Rheumatology at Birmingham Children's Hospital, and has lectured Medical Postgraduate students on ethics at Nottingham University.

Amanda has lectured in Law (Family Law, Advocacy Skills) on the BPTC in Nottingham.

Amanda is a keen gardener, time permitting.

Amanda is also a member of the Family Law Bar Association.