

## Marcia Hyde

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## Introduction

*"Ms Hyde is formidable. She is forensic in her approach, and offers clear, decisive advice and guidance when tackling complex and sensitive issues - something which is invaluable to a busy instructing solicitor."* Legal 500 2021



Marcia is a childcare specialist with almost 25 years' experience at the family bar.

She particularly specialises in serious & complex child abuse matters including those where there are issues of sexual abuse, non-accidental injury and the death of a child and acts on behalf of local authorities, parents, children's guardians and extended family members in such cases. She also has a particular specialism in cases relating to contact with children in local authority care. She has a particular following among experienced children's guardians.

She is regularly instructed by the most experienced of family solicitors in London and the Home Counties and has built a reputation for her detailed and thorough preparation, her attention to detail, her acute understanding of complex legal and evidential issues and her robust style of advocacy.

As a highly experienced advocate she will offer sensible and reasoned arguments on behalf of her client and will always fight or negotiate rigorously to achieve the best possible outcome.

Aside from her childcare expertise, Marcia has in recent years gained significant knowledge and experience in adult care matters in the Court of Protection.

Marcia is always very approachable and flexible by being available to discuss cases with her solicitors outside of

normal hours if necessary.

## Education

- B.A. (Hons) (Sociology)
- M.A. (Philosophy)
- Dip. Law

## Professional Memberships

- Family Law Bar Association
- Amnesty International
- Inner Temple

## Publications

- 'Non-recognition of member state orders under Brussels II Art 23'
- Co-written by Marcia Hyde and Tim Parker, published in International Family Law, Issue 3, pp 273-6 (2015). This is the first reported case (2014 EWFC 56) where Brussels II Article 23(a) (public policy) has been successfully argued preventing the recognition of an order made in a Member state.

## Selected Cases

- Re H-T (Children) [2012] EWCA Civ 1215
- Re P-B (Contact: Committal) [2009] 2 FLR 66
- A Local Authority v J [2008] EWHC 1484 (Fam)
- Re T (A Child) [2007] EWHC 455 (Fam)
- RE W (Section 34(2) Orders) [2000] 1 FLR 502