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Introduction

Jennifer joined 42 Bedford Row in 2017 on completion of pupillage in chambers and has a wide range of experience in civil and family law.

In 2015 Jennifer worked as an intern with the charity Amicus ALJ, assisting on death penalty trials and appeals in Louisiana. She remains involved in, and an enthusiastic supporter of, their work.

Children public law

Jennifer has extensive experience in public family law; acting for local authorities, parents and Children's Guardians at all stages of care proceedings, including those involving physical and emotional abuse, neglect and child sexual exploitation. She has appeared at final hearing in cases involving complex family groups, an international dimension and concurrent placement applications. Jennifer is commended by colleagues for her sensitive and measured approach to such matters.

Jennifer is also regularly instructed in public law applications for emergency protection, secure accommodation and forced marriage protection orders, as well as applications for contact with children in local authority care and in relation to adoption orders. She has appeared before the High Court in applications concerning police disclosure and reporting restriction orders, successfully obtaining an urgent RRO on abridged notice.

News and articles

- Jennifer Youngs and Vondez Phipps, 'Drawing the Line: case management and allegations of judicial bias in the family courts', Family Law Week (22 June 2017)

Publications

- Youngs, J. 'Brumfield v Cain: "It took a long time to save a life"' (2017) 38 Amicus Journal.
- Youngs, J. 'Supreme Court Upholds Right of Capital Defendant to a Hearing on His Intellectual Disability Claim' (2015) 36 Amicus Journal 24-34.
- Youngs, J. 'Domestic violence and the criminal law: reconceptualising reform' (2015) 79(1) Journal of Criminal Law 55-70.

Education

- BA, University of Cambridge (Selwyn College)
- BPTC, City Law School (Queen Mother Scholarship, Middle Temple)