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## Phillipa Hildyard

Call: 2014

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### Children Law

*“Phillipa Hildyard was superb – a really talented lady with lots of poise and savvy”*

– Client recommendation

Phillipa appears in both public and private children law matters in the Family Court, as well as Family Law Act injunctions (non-molestation orders and occupation orders).

### Public Law

Phillipa regularly acts in public law proceedings, representing Local Authorities, parents, children, wider family members and interveners.

She has advised and represented parties on cases involving the following issues:

- Non-accidental injuries
- Sexual abuse (including grooming and rape)
- Factitious illness
- Female Genital Mutilation
- Neglect
- Psychological and psychiatric evidence
- Parents with learning difficulties or who lack capacity
- Parents who misuse substances
- Jurisdictional issues

Whilst seconded to Humberside Police Legal Services in 2016, she often represented the Chief Constable of Humberside Police in the Family Courts on issues of disclosure. Phillipa has also advised Local Authorities in relation to disclosure into the Criminal Courts, including the redaction of social care records and public interest immunity.

### Private Law

Phillipa is regularly instructed to represent parents where there are disputes over child arrangements, including residence and contact disputes, applications for prohibited steps orders and specific issue orders. Phillipa also



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#### Education:

**2012** St Catherine's College,  
University of Oxford · BA  
Jurisprudence

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**2014** University of Law ·  
BPTC ('Outstanding')

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#### Career:

**2015** Pupil at Park Square  
Barristers

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**2016** Tenant at Park Square  
Barristers

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has experience in enforcement proceedings.

She has particular experience of cases involving:

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- Allegations of domestic abuse
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- Allegations of violence to children
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- Psychological and psychiatric evidence
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- Risk of abduction
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*“My client thought Phillipa was great and we achieved a fantastic result.”*

– Solicitor recommendation.

## Approach

Phillipa’s approachable and friendly manner ensures she is able to provide clear advice to both solicitors and lay clients. Phillipa is regularly instructed to represent clients who are young, vulnerable, and / or present with learning difficulties.

## Training

Phillipa currently coordinates the seminars for the Park Square Barristers Family Team and regularly delivers seminars for colleagues and solicitors. She is also able to provide bespoke training in relation to children law matters and court skills. She has previously delivered training for social workers at Wakefield MDC and assisted Leeds Beckett University’s BA and MA social-work students by facilitating a court skills training day.

## Notable Cases

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- 2018 – Led by [Charlotte Worsley](#) in a 4-week Finding of Fact Hearing in the High Court representing the children. There were numerous issues including sexual abuse, young and vulnerable complainants, physical abuse, factitious illness, substance misuse and capacity issues.
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- 2018 – Successfully represented an intervener in a 2-week Final Hearing. The Court found that the intervener had not caused non-accidental injuries to the children as alleged.
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- 2016 – Represented Humberside Police at the case management stage of proceedings in the High Court to disclose information arising out of the police investigation into the death of a child.
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## Contact Phillipa’s clerks

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## Regulatory & Public

Phillipa takes instructions in a broad range of regulatory crime cases, including health and safety, environmental, fire safety, environmental health, building control and food standards cases.

## Police Law

Phillipa has significant experience representing police forces. Between March 2016 and September 2016, Phillipa was seconded to Humberside Police Legal Services. She continues to act for police forces on a range of matters including:

- Applications for orders to protect members of the public, including Sexual Harm Prevention Orders, Sexual Risk Orders, Notification Orders, Violent Offender Orders and Domestic Violence Protection Orders.
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- Firearms appeals.
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- Dangerous dog applications.
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- Disclosure between the police and the Family Court.
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- Legal professional privilege issues.
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- Police property disputes.
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- Defending civil claims against the police.
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## Training

Phillipa is available to provide bespoke training to police forces and regulatory bodies. She has previously provided training to Humberside Police Legal Services, South Yorkshire Legal Services and Cleveland Fire Brigade.

## Notable Cases

- Chief Constable of Humberside Police v Benjamin Lumby (2016) –successfully defended the appeal against a Sexual Harm Prevention Order in Hull Crown Court over a 4-day hearing with vulnerable witnesses. The Court varied the SHPO to make it more onerous. It was reported in the national press.
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- Chief Constable of Humberside Police v Glyn Martin (2016) – successful application for a Sexual Harm Prevention Order, including a condition requiring the Respondent to wear by a location-monitoring device at all times.
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- Represented Humberside Police at the case management stage of proceedings in the High Court to disclose information arising out of the police investigation into the death of Poppy Widdison. The case attracted national press.
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## Family Finance

Phillipa accepts instructions to advise and represent clients in relation to all aspects of family finance. She has experience of representing clients at First Hearings, Financial Dispute Resolution Hearings and Final Hearings.

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## Court of Protection & Adult Care

Phillipa accepts instructions to advise and represent clients on Court of Protection matters and is eager to build this area of her practise. She is sensitive and has experience of working with vulnerable clients.

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