



Year of Call

2012

Devil Masters

Kate Dowdalls QC

Thomas Ross QC

Gavin MacColl QC



Practice Profile

Ceit-Anna "has become a go-to junior for a broad range of family cases, including those relating to financial provision, cohabitation claims, permanence orders, Hague Convention applications and residence disputes." Chambers UK 2018

She is "capable, cool-headed and extremely good with clients - she goes above and beyond in terms of service"; she has "cogent opinions and an excellent knowledge of family law." Chambers UK 2017

Ceit-Anna practices predominantly in the area of family law. She advises on the legal aspects of the breakdown of relationships including financial provision on divorce and financial claims arising following cohabitation. She is instructed in disputes involving children including residence, contact and relocation cases. She is experienced in dealing with applications under the Hague Convention and with applications for permanence orders and adoption.

Ceit-Anna is frequently appointed by the Court of Session as curator ad litem, reporting officer and child welfare reporter.

She has experience of regulatory law and since 2016 has been a Legal Assessor to the Nursing and Midwifery Council.

Ceit-Anna is currently instructed as junior counsel to the Scottish Child Abuse Inquiry.

Education & Professional Career to Date

Solicitor and Associate in private practice prior to calling to the Bar

Traineeship: Dickson Minto WS, Edinburgh and London

Appointments

- Legal Assessor, Nursing & Midwifery Council (2016–present)
- Reporter for Session Cases (2013–present)
- Clerk to the Faculty of Advocates Family Law Reform Group (2013–present)
- Committee Member, Advocates Family Law Association (2013–present)
- Tutor, School of Law, The University of Edinburgh (2009–2016)
- Committee Member, Family Law Association (2009–2012)

Selected Cases

- **ZM and AM v Locality Reporter [2016] SAC (Civ) 16**
- **Petitions of West Lothian Council re the children A and B (2016) CSOH 50**
- **MT and AG v Gerry (Children's Reporter), 12 December 2014**
- **S Petitioner 2014 Fam LR 23**
- **Edinburgh City Council re the children AB and CD (2014) SCLIV 2**

Areas of Practice

- Family
- Public and Fatal Accident Inquiries

Publications & Seminars

Law Society of Scotland, Family Law Conference, September 2016 - "Financial Provision on Divorce"

Family Law Association Seminar, May 2015- "Child Law- Case Law Update"

AMFLG Seminar, June 2014 - "Cohabitation, where we are now, two years after Gow v Grant"

BAAF Scotland Legal Group Conference, June 2014 - "Legal issues in the profiling of children for family finding"

Scottish Parliamentary Review (January 2014) - Case Commentary-Prest v Pretrodel Resources Ltd & Others

TANQ Seminar, September 2013- "To cohabit or not to cohabit...."

AMFLG Annual Conference, September 2013- "Recent Developments in Family Law Procedure"

Directories

Recommended in Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2019 for Family/Matrimonial.

"Has become a go-to junior for a broad range of family cases, including those relating to financial provision, cohabitation claims, permanence orders, Hague Convention applications and residence disputes"

"She is a very articulate, helpful and empathetic person to have as an advocate"

"She is exceptionally good with clients. They trust her and her suggestions"

Chambers UK 2018

"Capable, cool-headed and extremely good with clients - she goes above and beyond in terms of service".

"Becoming a go-to junior for a broad range of family cases, including those relating to financial provision, permanence orders, Hague Convention applications and residence disputes"

"She is commended for her client management, courtroom composure and pragmatism"

"She has cogent opinions and an excellent knowledge of family law"

Chambers UK 2017

Additional Information

Fluent Gaelic speaker