Felicity Herdman

Year of call: 2021

Inn of Court: Gray's Inn

Practice

Felicity commenced pupillage on 14 December 2020. She was offered and accepted tenancy at the end of November 2021.

Felicity deals with a wide variety of both public and private law cases. In terms of public law, she represents local authorities, parents and guardians and other interested parties. Such cases involve sexual abuse, domestic abuse, neglect, drug and alcohol misuse and non-accidental injuries. She has experience of vulnerable witnesses with the use of an intermediary and interpreters. She also has experience of cross-examining experts, including HST analysts. In terms of private law, Felicity has experience with proceedings that involve child arrangements orders, prohibited steps orders, specific issue orders and Non-Molestation and Occupation applications.

Prior to pupillage she spent a year clerking for Mrs Justice Roberts of the Family Division. Preceding that she spent 6 months clerking Mr Justice Birss of the Chancery Division. Such experience assisted her in understanding the intricacies of the country's most difficult public and private family cases. She experienced top-class trial advocacy and witnessed how it impacts on a judge's decision making. During the job she received two Reward and Recognition Awards by HMCTS.

Felicity is skilled in the basics of negotiation, having competed and undertaken a Negotiation Programme with LSE. She was also awarded The University of Law, London, BTPC, Drafting Prize in 2019.

Education

BPTC, The University of Law, London
Negotiation Programme, London School of Economics
University of Liverpool, LLB Law

Memberships

Association of Lawyers for Children
Family Law Bar Association