

Indira Varma

Pupil

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Practice Overview

Indira is now available to take instructions as of 3rd April 2024

Indira commenced pupillage in October 2023 focusing on all areas of family law under the supervision of Emily Beer and Lisa Peacock and is now able to take instructions.

Prior to commencing her pupillage, Indira worked for the charity Karma Nirvana, supporting victims of honour-based abuse and forced marriage. She has advocated to and worked with professional agencies such as Local Authorities, Schools, and the Police to ensure that the correct support was given to her clients who were often in life-threatening and complex situations. Indira has taken part in numerous public speaking engagements to raise awareness of the procedural issues victims are faced with when trying to protect themselves from forced marriage and honour-based abuse.

Whilst working for Karma Nirvana, Indira was part of two campaigns that successfully criminalized virginity testing and child marriage. She also assisted with the campaign to raise the age of consent for marriage to 18. As part of these campaigns, Indira spent time lobbying at the House of Commons, successfully persuading MPs to support these campaigns.

During her legal studies, Indira spent time working at the Human Rights Law Network in New Delhi, India, where she assisted on cases concerning abortion rights, child trafficking, and religious divorce.

Indira has provided pro-bono support to Dad's House, a charity dedicated to supporting single parents through private family proceedings. Indira has assisted on cases ranging from contact arrangements and parental alienation to high-net worth finance proceedings.

Her most recent role was as a paralegal at a Tier 1 specialist family law firm focused on public children's law. Indira has extensive experience in supporting the most vulnerable clients in the full range of care proceedings, often involving domestic abuse, children with complex needs, and non-accidental injury. In her time as a paralegal, Indira has also built a solid background in working with Local Authorities and Children's Guardians.

Degree/University

BPC (The University of Law)

Mediation Qualification (Phoenix Dispute Solutions Ltd.)

MA Law Conversion (The University of Law)

Advanced Hindi Language Certificate (American Institute of Indian Studies, Jaipur)

B.A Hons in Hindi, South Asian Studies, and History (SOAS, University of London)

Memberships

FLBA

Her Bar

Honourable Society of Gray's Inn



Languages

English
German
Hindi
Urdu
French