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**Sarah Singleton QC**

**Year of call: 1983**

**Year of silk: 2006**

BA (Oxon) Jurisprudence 1982

### **Profile**

Recorder and Legal Member of the Mental Health Review Tribunal

### **Nature of Practice**

Family law specialist, particularly:-

public and private law disputes concerning cases for parents, guardians and local authorities including cases involving contested and complex medical evidence, mental health, disability and human rights issues.

Family law financial disputes including ancillary relief, cohabitation and Inheritance Act claims.

Continuing to develop interest and experience in areas closely associated with family law including health care and education.

### **Reported Cases**

Lancashire CC v D and E [2008] EWHC 832 (Fam)

Oldham Metropolitan Borough Council v GW and PW [2007] EWHC 136 (Fam) [2007]

Note Re B (Local Authorities: Representation) [1996] 1 FLR 56

Re K (Care Order or Residence Order) [1995] 1 FLR 675

D (Minors) (Wardship: Disclosure), RE [1994] FLR 346

M v C and Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council [1993] 1 FLR 505

A and Others (Minors) (Child Abuse: Guide-Lines), Re [1992] 1 FLR 439





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### What The Directories Say

2005 "Fast becoming a favourite with practitioners" - Chambers & Partners

2005 "Very strong-practical and commercial when it comes to settling" - Legal 500

2006 "Recommended for children work" - Chambers & Partners

2007 "known for having "great empathy with clients". She has a mixed practice of both children and money" - Chambers & Partners

2007 ""clever and pleasant" a very strong practitioner across the board with expert knowledge of mental health issues" - Legal 500

2008 Increasingly involved in protracted and complex care cases, her "great people handling skills" are regularly commented upon. Chambers & Partners

2008 "very popular for children's and mental incapacity instructions, 'looks to settle cases where appropriate, so as to allow the client to move on'." Legal 500

2009 ""Approachable, unfussy and down to earth," she "relates extremely well to her clients" when tackling both matrimonial finance and children-related work." Chambers & Partners

### Other Information

Chair of Board of Trustees of Relate Greater Manchester.

Great Manchester 10km Run enthusiast (coordinated Chambers' team of 74 runners in 2009)

Manchester to Blackpool Cycle Ride enthusiast (coordinated Chambers' entry for 2007, 2008 and 2009)

Cycled between London and Paris for charity in July 2007.

Runs and enjoys Chambers' Book Club.

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