



Advocacy Hub

What is the Advocacy Hub

The Advocacy Hub is a service provided by HCR law led by our solicitor advocates within the Family team. A solicitor advocate is a solicitor who has higher rights of audience, allowing them to represent you at all levels of court, including the Court of Appeal.

By choosing the Advocacy Hub, all your legal representation remains within the firm, ensuring seamless collaboration between your solicitor and your solicitor advocate. Your solicitor advocate will meet with you in advance, not just on the day of your hearing, so you feel fully prepared and confident. This integrated approach means that the solicitor advocate representing you in court has an in-depth and continuous understanding of your case, eliminating the need for new legal representatives as your case progresses.

Because your solicitor advocate is part of HCR Law, they can develop a thorough understanding of your matter from an early stage. If suitable for your case, you may also have direct access to your court advocate.

Another key benefit of using the Advocacy Hub is cost efficiency. Unlike barristers' chambers, we do not charge additional fees in your matter settles or is adjourned at a late stage, helping you manage legal expenses more effectively. Additionally, by keeping all advocacy services in-house, we may be able to offer more competitive rates compared to traditional barrister fees.

With the Advocacy Hub, you receive consistent, expert representation tailored to your needs, ensuring the best possible advocacy throughout your case.

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The Advocacy Hub offers those clients the dual benefit of cost effectiveness and seamless preparation.

Client quote

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I have had the pleasure of introducing Anita to several of my Children Act clients and have found her court room skills to have been both polished and self-assured. The outcomes have been excellent for my clients. She communicates seamlessly with the team in the run up to the hearing and helps shape the case for trial where necessary.

Client quote

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The Advocacy Hub team



Anita Hennessey
Partner and Solicitor Advocate

I'm passionate about helping clients in what can be the toughest time of their lives. I believe continuity is extremely important, which is one of the reasons behind setting up the advocacy hub.

I have over 15 years of experience in the family Courts nationally. I gained my higher rights in 2018. I am experienced in complex matters concerning children to include those involving serious allegations of abuse and cases which require children to be separately represented, financial remedy proceedings and injunctions. I will prepare a case comprehensively and leave no stone unturned to ensure the best result possible for you. I will always offer to meet with you prior to Court so that we can plan an agreed strategy prior to any hearing.

Given my in-house presence I am easily contactable should the need arise, my advice does not simply stop at the end of the hearing.



Lauren Nash
Senior Associate and Solicitor Advocate

I have a meticulous approach to cases whether it be finances, children or injunctions. By applying a logical case analysis, I can provide a client with a court strategy to face any stage of the proceedings. I will speak with a client at any stage of their case to help them understand the issues that the court will be considering. I will explain to the client the road map we will be taking the court through in order to achieve a successful outcome. My mantra for court is to expect the unexpected and then you'll never be surprised!

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Lauren is immediately impressive and has a professional maturity. She is a passionate advocate, especially for those experiencing domestic violence and abuse.

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Both Lauren and Anita are tenacious and diligent, whilst at the same time pragmatic and very client focused.

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