

# Tanfield Chambers

## D A Pears

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## Areas of Practice

Family  
Public Access

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## Career

1975 Called to the Bar  
1996 to 2001 Head of Chambers 2nd Floor Francis Taylor Building  
2001 to date Deputy Head of Chambers of Tanfield Chambers

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## Profile

Dick is a highly experienced family practitioner who covers ancillary relief and child care work, both publicly and privately-funded, and on a domestic and international level.

Dick brings vast experience of dealing with contentious issues in emotionally-charged situations, meaning he is able to empathise with, and support, individuals.

As well as his family work, Dick has extensive experience of human rights and discrimination issues associated with his work for the Immigration Appeals Tribunal & The Asylum & Immigration Tribunal.

He served on the Conduct Committee of the Bar from 2005 to 2007.

## Experience

Acts in ancillary relief cases where the wealth is substantial and where there are foreign and or business assets.

Has a long standing experience of Hague and European Convention cases.

Frequently acts for local authorities and guardians in public law cases.

## Significant cases

**B v H** [2000] CL Para 2521  
Lack of jurisdiction to order production appointment in schedule 1 CA 1989 proc

**G v G** (Occupation Order) [2000] 2 FLR 36/[2000] **FamLaw 266**  
The relevance or otherwise of intention in conduct in the consideration of whether to make occupation order

**Stray v Stray** [1999] 2 FLR 610  
Appeal to the Divisional Court on the approach to be adopted by FPC when dealing with applications and the need to give understandable reasons

**Re E (A Minors)** [1994] 2 FLR 548  
Child Support, Blood test

**Re S (Minors)** [1994] 1 FLR 819 CA  
Abduction, Acquiescence

**B v B** [1993] Family Law 39  
Interim contact with grandparents

**Warwick v Warwick** [1982] Family Law 60

**Re H** [1995] 2 FLR 883 CA  
Shared residence; parental responsibility

## Memberships

## **Qualifications**

MA (Oxon)

## **Appointments**

Part time Immigration Judge