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#### **OVERVIEW**

Srishti is a specialist children law practitioner. She is sought after for her approachable manner, no-nonsense advice, and commitment to de-escalating conflict and reaching a sustainable conclusion. She has an eye for detail, and is particularly experienced with vulnerable clients and cases involving complex cultural considerations.

Srishti accepts instructions in public and private law children cases, as well as injunctive applications (with particular reference to FMPOs and FGMPOs).

In 2021, Srishti was the winner of the award for the Family Law Young Barrister of the Year. She was the most junior candidate to be shortlisted for the next category, Family Law Junior Barrister of the Year, in 2023.

She is ranked as a rising star for children, domestic violence and matrimonial finances in the Legal 500, and as an up and coming barrister for children law in Chambers & Partners.

### **PRACTICE AREAS**

Public Law Children Private Law Children Human Rights International Family Law

### **EXPERIENCE**

Srishti has a prolific research background. In 2020, she co-authored a critical analysis of the government's panel report on the risk of harm to children and parents in private law cases; the precursor to the Domestic Abuse Act 2021.

Later that year, she published a tripartite article in the summer issues of the Family Law Journal. Her work undertook an intersectional analysis of race and gender, and the application of the welfare principle in child radicalisation cases.

At the heart of Srishti's practice is an exemplary understanding of the law. Within public and private disputes concerning children, Srishti has worked on cases involving FGM, forced marriage, factitious illness, radicalisation, parental alienation, sexual abuse and intrajurisdictional disputes.

Srishti also has a robust background in complex matrimonial finance cases involving material non-disclosure and set-aside applications under S.37 of the Matrimonial Causes Act 1973, and is able to signpost clients for whom these issues form part of the landscape of their children litigation accordingly.

Srishti has offered training and advice in children law to multiple organisations; both private and pro bono. Her seminar series for LawWorks on the proper approach to case managing domestic abuse and parental alienation cases, co-led with Sam Watts, remains a training tool for pro bono clinics.

Separately, Srishti is a trained civil and commercial mediator, and is dedicated to diversity and equality at the Bar.

She is a founding member of Bridging the Bar, partnering with over 70 chambers and the Supreme Court to provide mentorship and work experience to aspiring barristers from underrepresented backgrounds.

She has reverse mentored with the Bar Standards Board, previously co-chaired chambers' own Diversity and Equality committee, and is now Head of Pupillage Recruitment.

Srishti also sits on the scholarship committee for the Family Law Bar Association.

### **EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

MA (Jurisprudence) – University of Oxford LL.M Legal Practice (Distinction), BPTC (Very Competent) – BPP Law School LL.M Law and Gender – SOAS University of London Fellow, Royal Society of Arts Family Law Bar Association Liberty

# CASES

Re GB (Parental Alienation: Factual Findings) [2024] EWFC 75 (B)

YM (Care Proceedings) (Clarification of Reasons) [2024] EWCA Civ 71

A London Borough v S & Anor [2023] EWFC 339 (B)

<u>Unger and another (in substitution for Hasan) (Appellants) v Ul-Hasan (deceased) and another (Respondents) [2023] UKSC 22</u>

Re N (A Child) (Instruction of Expert) [2022] EWCA Civ 1588

London Borough of Z v A, B, C, D, E, F & Ors [2022] EWFC 63

### **PUBLICATIONS**

S Suresh, 'The welfare assessment in radicalisation cases under the Children Act 1989: to what extent do race and gender influence judicial intervention in the family home?' [2020] Fam Law 605, 730, 899 (cited in Emergency Remedies in the Family Courts (LexisNexis, 2021))

H Gomersall and S Suresh, 'A "major overhaul" of family courts to protect domestic abuse victims... or a re-branding exercise?' (Family Law Week, 6 July 2020)

### **TESTIMONIALS**

"Srishti is utterly amazing. She is a formidable barrister, tenacious in court, and her advocacy is first-class." Legal 500, 2025 – Rising star

"Srishti is a top-class lawyer. She is professional, focused, always well prepared and dedicated." Legal 500, 2025 – Rising star

"Srishti commands the courtroom with her clear and persuasive advocacy." Chambers & Partners, 2025

"Through her considered advice, clients feel heard and forearmed." Chambers & Partners, 2025

"She has no fear tackling nuanced and complex arguments head-on." Chambers & Partners, 2025

"Srishti shows an ability to deal with detail in quantity and is unflappable." Chambers & Partners, 2025

"A true favourite of clients and solicitors alike." Chambers & Partners, 2025

"Srishti provides fantastic client care and bedside manner." Chambers & Partners, 2025

"Family law barrister, Srishti Suresh was excellent to work with in a very trying time for me. She was extremely personable and confident and so I found her a reassuring guide through what had been a very distressing process. In a few short days, Srishti changed my life for the better and I'm supremely grateful." Client

"Chambers have a very capable and knowledgeable barrister in Ms Suresh [...] I am sure she will go very far in her career." District Judge

"Srishti is incredibly thorough and well-prepared in her work. She brings a real energy and determination to each individual case. She is a clear and coherent advocate who instils confidence in the client and really gets her point across in the courtroom. Srishti is always approachable and a pleasure to work with." Instructing solicitor

"Srishti Suresh[...]absolutely outstanding. She was fully prepared and made me feel at ease and comfortable as soon as I greeted her. She was professional and extremely knowledgeable. I would definitely recommend her." Client

"Miss Suresh handled my case very professionally with a very attentive and intellectual approach. Her knowledge around child arrangements was very reassuring and I definitely recommend her as she will go above and beyond. She kept me well informed each step of the way and debriefed very thoroughly after the court procedures[...]she made the whole experience easier." Client

"You have a real diamond in this young woman." Instructing solicitor

"Srishti is excellent. She couldn't have put the case better. I'm really impressed with her and I'm looking forward to working with Srishti on other cases. She has a very bright future." Instructing solicitor

### AWARDS

LexisNexis: Family Law Junior Barrister of the Year 2023 (nominated) Chambers & Partners UK Bar 2022: Diversity and Inclusion Future Leader (nominated) LexisNexis: Family Law Young Barrister of the Year 2021 (winner) Society of Asian Lawyers: Rising Star 2021 (nominated) SOAS University of London: Best Overall LL.M Dissertation Prize Winner BPP Law School: Advocacy Scholar

## LANGUAGES

Tamil (native) French (professionally proficient) Hindi (intermediate)