

Dominic Cooper

General Information

Dominic practises in family and general common law. He is a tenacious advocate with an approachable, friendly and sympathetic manner towards clients.

Called to the bar in 2002, Dominic cross-qualified as a solicitor in 2004, working as a high street solicitor in respected local firms and in-house before practising independently on his own account since 2010. His experience of running a solicitor's firm means he is approachable and has the excellent client care skills that come from a career as a busy high street practitioner. Dominic has a good rapport and puts clients at ease whilst using his impressive knowledge of the relevant legal and procedural rules to fearlessly fight his clients' corners.

In 2020, Dominic became one of only 150 Bar Standards Board authorised and regulated "entities" offering advocacy and advice services both to the public and to solicitors' firms as a solicitor-advocate. His experience and expertise in having navigated the regulatory framework of setting up a BSB entity and dealing with the run-off of an SRA-regulated firm allow Dominic to offer advice and consultancy to lawyers seeking to take advantage of the new legal regulatory environment.

Dominic is willing to accept legal aid instructions for family law cases where appropriate.

Areas of law

Dominic has particular specialism in:

- Family law, including domestic violence injunctions, public and private law children and financial remedy
- General civil law, including debt and commercial litigation
- Costs – particularly solicitor and own client costs
- Chancery, including TOLATA, Inheritance Act and real property
- Personal Injury, including Employer's Liability, Public Liability and RTA
- Technology and Construction Court, especially IT and computer-related matters

Personal Interests

Outside his professional life, Dominic enjoys spending time with his family and two dogs (a Shar Pei and American Akita). When not travelling further afield, from places as varied as Vietnam, Russia, and the USA, Dominic will take any chance to take the family caravan out and about in the UK and Europe – with the dogs, of course!

As a bit of a "computer geek", Dominic created his own in-house case management and accounting system for his solicitors' firm and has experience in Linux networking and administration, including setting up the internal office network, both hardware and software, and VOIP telephone systems. As well as experience in writing code in C and JavaScript, he also has experience in implementing complex databases using the PostgreSQL system.

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