

THE SPEAR'S INDEX OF THE TOP 50 FAMILY LAWYERS

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SHONA ALEXANDER FORSTERS

OUTSTANDING IN FIELD

FIRM SIZE
UK

HOURLY RATE
UNDISCLOSED

FOCUS
FINANCIAL
REMEDIES,
UNMARRIED
COUPLES,
CHILDREN

‘Never underestimate the power of laughing — and smiling,’ says Alexander when describing how she maintains her zest for family law.

A particularly personable and level-headed expert in HNW financial cases, the head of the Forsters family team also handles children’s cases and advises unmarried couples on cohabitation issues and pre-nuptial agreements.

She’s had some big wins to her name since qualifying in 1996 — including last year’s *Thiry v Thiry*. Alexander acted for the wife against the

‘extremely difficult’ husband who failed to engage with the court. She won great praise from the presiding judge and peers alike.

‘It was one of those cases where we had no idea how it was going to turn out until the day in court,’ she says. ‘We had to prepare for every eventuality, but we couldn’t have done better... And for the judge to give us the fighting fund for future litigation, it went far beyond anything we thought we would get.’

Rivals refer to her as a ‘fair and decent’ opponent, praising her good sense and pragmatism: ‘Shona gets to the heart of cases quickly by understanding complex financial backgrounds — particularly international wealth and trusts — and her clients’ needs.

‘She’s a worthy opponent who seeks out great solutions for her clients.’ *J*

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