

## Richard Veni

*Specialising in public and private child matters including financial remedy as well as criminal matters.*

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### Crime

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Prior to coming to the Bar, Richard Veni was a successful criminal solicitor. He specialised in serious litigation with a particular focus on fraud and financial matters. He represented clients charged with serious offences such as conspiracy to defraud the revenue, rape, and terrorism offences. Richard developed high-quality client care skills and an ability to hone in on the key issues in cases.

Since being called to the Bar, he has continued this practice. In that time, he has gained experience representing defendants charged with serious offences such as false imprisonment and robbery. He has been admitted to the CPS Advocates Panel at Level 2.

He has also represented youths in both the Youth and Crown Courts, of offences including robbery and rape.

Richard will represent the Crown or defendants across South Yorkshire and the East Midlands.

### Significant Cases

#### Crime

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**R v KS (2019)** – represented a defendant charged with false imprisonment (with two others) of a child who was restrained and had his life threatened before being abducted by others in a drug-related offence at trial at the Crown Court.

**R v CW (2018)** – represented a youth in the Crown Court charged with multiple counts of robbery and possession of offensive weapons in conjunction with several other defendants. The original offence allegedly involved numerous attacks on multiple people in a local park in Sheffield.

**R v JH (2017)** – represented a youth charged with rape in the Youth Court.

### Family

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Richard Veni specialises in public and private child matters, as well as financial remedy matters.

Since coming to the Bar, he has appeared regularly in the family courts across the region to represent local authorities, parents and guardians in public law proceedings. He handles all stages of cases, from first appointments and reviews to finding-of-fact, final and removal hearings.

Richard is also often instructed in private child proceedings, including applications for child

### Called: 2006

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#### Appointments:

Level 2 Prosecutor  
North Eastern Circuit  
Resolution

#### Education:

LLB  
BVC  
LLM

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arrangement orders, specific-issue orders and prohibitive-steps orders. He also has extensive experience of non-molestation orders and occupation orders (these often being made ex parte).

He is known for his delicate client care and for balancing firm advice with a calm and friendly manner. This helps to ensure that clients remain focused on the specific issues of their case.

### *Significant Cases*

#### Family

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**Re J (2019)** – represented a step-grandfather at a final hearing in care proceedings where we successfully persuaded the court to place the child with the client against the submissions of both the local authority and guardian.

**RE v LA (2019)** – successfully defended and represented a father in a finding-of-fact hearing in private child proceedings when he was accused of sexually assaulting his daughter (then aged 7).

**SA v SA (2018)** – represented a father accused of numerous counts of rape against the mother in private child proceedings.

### *Further information*

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#### How much will Richard Veni's services cost?

Richard mostly works on a fixed-fee basis for the main hearing, with a daily refresher rate for any subsequent date of hearing, although this depends on the type of work you request. If you'd like a quotation for his legal services in a particular matter, please contact our clerk using the details below and we'll be very happy to help. Please also refer to Bank House Chambers' standard terms & conditions.

#### What might influence the timescales of the services Richard offers?

Richard would normally expect to arrange a preliminary conference with your client within 7 days of first contact from you. After that, despite our best intentions, we can't always control timescales or the amount of time we spend on a case. These can be affected by factors such as urgency; complexity; your own (or your client's) availability; Richard's availability and that of any third parties; the volume of documents he needs to review or must request; and the court's availability.

#### Can you have confidence in Richard's work?

He is regulated by the Bar Standards Board.

#### How can you contact Richard Veni?

In the first instance, please contact our senior clerk, Wayne Digby, on 0114 275 1223 or email him at

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