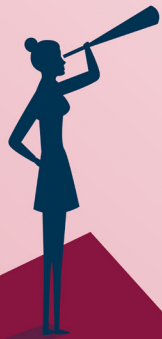




FUTURE THOUGHT LEADERS

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HNW Divorce NextGen Future Thought Leaders Essay Competition



HNW Divorce

1 | OUR STORY

ThoughtLeaders4 are serious about providing opportunities to up-and-coming practitioners specialising in HNW Divorce. We strongly believe that the next generation of practitioners should be writing, speaking at and attending events in order to build their network and further their careers.

With this in mind, we are proud to present the HNW Divorce NextGen Future Thought Leaders Essay Competition. Assessed by an illustriously experienced, senior and broad-ranging panel of practitioners this is your chance to stick your head above the parapet and mark yourself as the one-to-watch. With the opportunity to **attend and discuss your essay at our HNW Divorce Litigation Flagship Conference**, we look forward to your submissions and to welcoming you to the HNW Divorce community.

2 | THE BRIEF

What reform – if any – would you make to our law on matrimonial finance?

In the run-up to our HNW Divorce conference on 23rd November 2023 in London, we invite submissions from next gen practitioners on this topical debate. We encourage you to draw on your own experiences and jurisdictions and offer a well-supported argument either for or against reform. You may choose to focus on section 25 of the Matrimonial Causes Act, you may discuss whether legislation should be expanded to incorporate financial provision for non-marital relationships, or you may look at the wider political and economic context of reform.

We invite you to be creative, well-researched, opinionated, and take a position on this timely issue, affecting the next generation of divorce practitioners.

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PRIZES

AMAZING OPORTUNITIES FOR THE RISING STARS



WINNER

- Winner of the competition will have the opportunity to participate in a panel discussion at the HNW Divorce Litigation Conference, taking place in London, on 23rd November 2023.
- Winner of the competition will receive a yearly pass for ThoughtLeaders4 HNW Divorce Conferences.
- Winner of the competition will receive a branded hamper.



TOP 3

- Top 3 entrants as chosen by the judging panel will win free tickets to attend HNW Divorce Litigation Flagship Conference
- Top 3 entrants will receive a branded hamper.



ALL ENTRANTS

- All entrants will have their essays published in a special edition of the HNW Divorce Magazine. This will be published digitally, along with a print run at the HNW Divorce Litigation Flagship Conference 2023.

ENTRANTS ELIGIBILITY



Must be a HNW Divorce Next Gen (up to 12 years qualified).

JUDGING PANEL



EMMA HATLEY
PARTNER
STEWARTS

Emma advises on complex and often high profile matters for high net worth individuals, their families and partners. Her cases typically involve an international dimension and she often works in coordination with other cross-border trusted advisers, particularly in offshore jurisdictions and America.



ALEX CARRUTHERS
PARTNER
HUGHES FOWLER CARRUTHERS

Alex is a founding partner at Hughes Fowler Carruthers. He specialises in complex divorce and financial work and children's work, in particular in international cases. His clients are high net worth individuals with complex legal issues including trusts and jurisdictional disputes.



DEEPAK NAGPAL KC
BARRISTER
1KBW

Deepak is one of the leading matrimonial finance barristers in the country. Deepak has appeared at all levels in matrimonial finance proceedings, including in the House of Lords and in the Supreme Court. He has acted in some of the biggest and most complicated divorce cases in London.



CHARLOTTE BRADLEY
PARTNER
KINGSLEY NAPLEY

Charlotte has been head of the Family team at Kingsley Napley since 2013. She specialises in all aspects of family law, particularly international issues, both in relation to finance and children. Charlotte has a reputation for cross border jurisdiction issues, particularly European and Relocation cases, and for acting for unmarried parents in Schedule 1 (financial provision) cases.



JAMES PIRRIE
DIRECTOR
FAMILY LAW IN PARTNERSHIP

James specialises in complex financial issues and non-adversarial and cost-effective approaches to divorce and separation including mediation, arbitration and collaborative law. He helps clients take control of the issues that affect them, clarifying priorities, exploring all the options and identifying the best way forward.

FORMAT GUIDELINES

LENGTH: 1800 words (+/- 10% allowance);

FONT FORMAT: Times New Roman/Arial, 12-point;

SPACING: 1.5 line spacing;

ALIGNMENT: Lined up evenly at the left margin;

DOCUMENT FORMAT: Must be a Word Document;

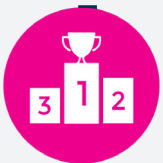
OTHER: Adherence to a well known style guide or academic referencing system such as OSCALA, preference is for footnotes as opposed to endnotes, no use of chat bots.

TIMELINE



11th September 2023

Submission deadline



23rd October 2023

Top 3 essays & winner are announced



23rd November 2023

Winner discusses essay at the HNW Divorce Litigation Flagship Conference in London

7 | MARKING CRITERIA



Argument:

- 1) Originality of thought and a clear position in relation to the question;
- 2) Provision of compelling and thorough examples to support each main point in the argument;
- 3) Persuasive argument which could be tailored / cut down and presented at the summit.



Flow:

- 4) Coherence and cohesion throughout the essay;
- 5) Develops ideas cogently, organises them logically, and connects them with clear transitions.



Style:

- 6) Demonstrates a superior grasp on the conventions of academic / standard written English, (i.e. grammar usage and mechanics) though may have some minor errors;
- 7) Uses elegant vocabulary yet is clear, concise and accessible to the interdisciplinary audience;
- 8) Syntax is sophisticated and varied.

8 | HOW TO SUBMIT

IN 3 EASY STEPS

1

Go to our [website](#);

2

Fill in the form with your details;

3

Attach your essay as a Word Document and submit it.



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DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

ANY SUBMISSION ISSUES?

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