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Practice Overview

Michael Allum is a Partner at The International Family Law Group LLP.

Michael specialises in financial issues which arise on relationship breakdown including financial provision on divorce or separation, financial provision for the benefit of children (Sch 1) and financial provision after an overseas divorce (Part III).

Michael's practice covers both national and international cases. His international work includes the recognition of overseas marriages and divorces, the enforcement of financial orders and sharing English pensions after overseas divorces. He is regularly instructed to advise and act in relation to jurisdiction and/or forum disputes to secure proceedings in another country.

Michael has extensive experience of taking cases through the court system, he will do his best to find an amicable settlement where possible. Michael's pragmatic and conciliatory approach often results in many of his cases being settled out of court.

Michael is one of the leading family lawyers specialising on enforcing English pensions following an overseas divorce. He is regularly asked to provide second opinions to clients. Michael has been instructed to provide expert evidence for overseas courts in relation to English law.

Michael is a member of the editorial board of the Financial Remedies Journal.

Michael is frequently asked to write articles for leading publications and give lectures/seminars to the legal profession on international family law issues. Michael is also committed to family law reform and is a regular contributor to the Government's Consultation papers.

Separation & Divorce

Civil/Registered Partnerships

Foreign Marriages and Divorces

Jurisdiction/Forum Choice: Where to have Family Court Proceedings

Finances

Dispute Resolution

Enforcing a Financial Order made Abroad

Financial Outcomes

Financial Provision after a Foreign Divorce

Financial Provision for Children

Unmarried/Cohabiting/De Facto Couples

Additional Information

Testimonials

- One of the best legal minds in the business. He will be a star in the family lawworld for many years to come!
- 'Michael Allum is second to none. He would make himself available during weekends or late evenings. Michael Allum was an outstanding advocate for me at what was probably the most difficult time in my life. He was kind, thoughtful and understanding as well as being thoroughly professional and knowledgeable and he got me through the divorce and settlement process as smoothly as I could ever have imagined.'

The Legal 500 UK 2023

 'Michael Allum is an emerging star. One of the most knowledgeable practitioners on Part III claims (financial claims after foreign divorce). Understated but hugely effective and great to work with'

The Legal 500 UK 2022

- 'Michael Allum is proving to be very talented and in demand'.
- 'Michael Allum is outstanding'.

The Legal 500 UK 2021

- 'Michael Allum is brilliant, an old head on young shoulders with impressive client handling skills.'
- 'Michael Allum is a hardworking and intelligent lawyer'.

The Legal 500 UK 2020

'Michael is incredibly diligent and hardworking'.

The Legal 500 UK 2019

Appointments

Co-editor of Financial Remedies Journal (FRJ)

Publications

- 'The International Family LawPractice' 2016 2017 published by Family Law, LexisNexis (fifth edition) chapters on Financial Provision following an overseas divorce (known as Part III)
- 'The International Family LawPractice' 2021 2022 published by Family Law, LexisNexis (sixth edition) chapters on Domicile, Residency, Nationality and Financial Provision following an overseas divorce (Part III)

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