

Nathan Jones

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"Nathan has been involved in a number of my complex cases and is a silk in the making. He has a strong set of advocacy skills, is razor sharp in his preparation and leaves no stone unturned."

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Nathan Jones is a highly skilled and experienced barrister, known for his meticulous case preparation and exceptional advocacy.

Nathan regularly handles some of the most complex and serious cases, including those involving fatalities, sexual abuse, and fabricated illness. He is frequently instructed in matters that require detailed analysis of intricate or unusual medical evidence.

Committed to delivering modern, client-focused legal services, Nathan excels at identifying the key issues in a case, helping clients avoid unnecessary legal costs and focusing on what truly matters. Known for his approachable nature, Nathan goes the extra mile to ensure his clients feel supported and at ease throughout the legal process.

Nathan is consistently recognised in leading legal directories as a top-tier barrister. His expertise is also sought after by media outlets such as the BBC to provide expert legal commentary and analysis. His appearances on BBC Radio further showcase his depth of knowledge in the legal field.

In addition to his family law practice, Nathan has extensive experience as a Chair and legal arbitrator for various sports tribunals. Since 2014, he has chaired the Football Association of Wales National Safeguarding Panel and the Disciplinary Appeals Panel, and he was re-appointed to the Sport Resolutions Panel for 2024–2027.

Nathan has also served as a Family Law, Advocacy, and Communication Skills Trainer for Barbri Altior, a renowned legal training provider in England and Wales. This role has further enriched his knowledge of law and procedure, ensuring he remains at the cutting edge of legal developments.

Expertise

Cohabitee & Matrimonial Finance

Nathan advises and represents clients in complex financial remedy proceedings, including disputes involving property, pensions, and inherited assets. He is also experienced in TOLATA claims and applications involving unmarried partners, bringing clarity and focus to emotionally and financially difficult disputes.

Family & Childcare

Nathan specialises in serious and complex family cases, including those involving sexual abuse, non-accidental injury, and fabricated illness. He represents parents, local authorities and guardians, providing clear, compassionate advocacy in emotionally sensitive proceedings and cases requiring detailed medical evidence.

Sports Law

Nathan has acted as Chair and legal arbitrator in sports disciplinary proceedings for over a decade. He currently chairs panels for the Football Association of Wales and Sport Resolutions, bringing expertise and fair judgment to safeguarding, disciplinary and appeals matters in professional sport.

Appointments

- Sport Resolutions' Panel of Arbitrators and Mediators
- Sport Resolutions Panel – Legal Arbitrator
- Football Association of Wales National Safeguarding Panel – Vice Chairman
- Football Association of Wales Disciplinary Appeals Panel – Chairman
- Pupil Supervisor

Education

- Bar Vocational Course, Cardiff University
- LLB Law (Hons), University of Bristol

Publications

- 'Has the time come for the Football Association to implement misconduct guidelines in relation to offences committed on the field of play?' (June 2013)

Notable and reported cases

Family Law

- A (A Child) (Fact-Finding: Head Injury) [2024] EWCA Civ 327 – Appeared in the Court of Appeal in a case concerning complex medical evidence relating to non-accidental injury.
- A County Council v L & Ors [2024] EWFC 120 – Instructed in a High Court case involving serious allegations of harm, international elements, and threshold criteria.
- K and O (Children) [2018] EWHC 1455 (Fam) – Acted in High Court proceedings involving complex care and placement issues across multiple jurisdictions.
- GM v Carmarthenshire County Council & Anor [2018] EWFC 36 – Appeared in care proceedings involving disputed psychiatric and psychological evidence.
- Re C [2015] – Represented the Local Authority in a contested application for a care order before Sir Mark Hedley. The case concerned a highly vulnerable teenager with multiple placement breakdowns, raising issues around section 31A of the Children Act 1989 and the scope of judicial involvement in local authority decision-making.
- Re LD v JD [2013] EWHC 3632 (Fam) – Contested committal proceedings for breach of an undertaking given in family proceedings.
- Re M [2010] EWHC 2846 (Fam) – Represented the birth mother in an ‘exceptionally unusual’ High Court application concerning contact following a closed adoption.

Sports Law & Regulatory Work

- Advised the Football Association of Wales on safeguarding and player welfare policies.
- Acted for a Premier League football club in a dispute with a football agent.
- Advised an elite athlete on selection for the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games.
- Successfully reduced a UKAD-imposed doping suspension from two years to six months for a Welsh Rugby Union player.
- Successfully represented Merthyr Rugby Football Club before the Welsh Rugby Union Disciplinary Appeal Panel in relation to alleged breaches of Payment to Player Regulations.
- Negotiated a settlement in relation to a Welsh Rugby Union player’s transfer.