

# Amy Woolfson

YEAR OF CALL: 2017



*Amy has an established practice encompassing professional discipline and regulatory law, extradition, and family law.*

*"Amy is a thorough, intelligent, and measured advocate. Her case preparation is meticulous."*

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*"Amy is an excellent advocate. She secures incredible results, and always has a strong grasp of the papers and the issues at hand."*

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## Overview

Amy is a versatile and intellectually able barrister. Amy is recognised as a Rising Star in The Legal 500 for her work in Professional Discipline & Regulatory. She represents registrants and regulators at the full range of professional disciplinary hearings, at all levels of seriousness. Amy has a growing defence extradition practice. She also accepts instructions in family law and crime.

Instructing solicitors say:

*"Amy is bright, pro-active and creative in her case preparation, and has excellent client care skills."*

Client Testimonials

*"Amy has a natural ability to absorb information very quickly and make very good decisions on trial strategy."*

Client Testimonials

*"She possesses a confidence beyond her years, combined with humility and a personable nature that I know my clients appreciate."*

Client Testimonials

## *Professional Memberships*

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Association of Regulatory and Disciplinary Lawyers (ARDL).

## *Professional Discipline & Regulatory*

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Amy is recognised as a Rising Star in The Legal 500 for her work in Professional Discipline & Regulatory. She has extensive experience as a case presenter, having acted for a wide range of regulators including the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC), the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC), the General Dental Council (GDC), General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) and Social Work England (SWE). Her case experience includes those with

allegations of serious sexual misconduct, and those with vulnerable witnesses.

In her defence practise, Amy represents professionals facing allegations of the utmost seriousness, including dishonesty and serious sexual misconduct. Clients say:

*"Your expertise and determination were pivotal to my case's favourable outcome.*

*Your professional demeanour and dedication to my case truly went above and beyond my expectations."*

Amy has represented regulated professionals in inquests, and in criminal matters.

## **Education**

Amy has had notable success in education law matters. She regularly acts for parents seeking to challenge exclusions in the private and state sectors. Amy has also been instructed to represent parents facing prosecution under the Education Act 1996 for failing to comply with School Attendance Orders. Amy is currently acting pro bono for a family challenging the named school in an Education, Health and Care Plan.

## ***Extradition & International***

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In her extradition practice, Amy represents clients at all stages of proceedings at Westminster Magistrates Court and advises on appeals to the High Court.

Amy is currently instructed in political corruption case as junior to Ben Keith.

## *Interpol*

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Amy is experienced in advising and making submissions to INTERPOL in respect of Red Notices and diffusions. Amy is co-author, with Ben Keith, of the Interpol chapter in The Practitioner's Guide to Global Investigations (Ninth Edition).

## *Family & Children*

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Amy has a growing family law practice. In private law proceedings, she has acted for both applicants and respondents in child arrangement order cases, and in respect of occupation/non-molestation orders. Amy has acted in applications to remove children from the jurisdiction and in applications for transfer of tenancy under the Family Law Act 1996.

In public law matters, Amy has acted in Care Order cases and matters touching upon Special Guardianship Orders.

## *Cases of Note*

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### **Regulatory and professional discipline**

#### **NMC v OL**

Defending a nurse accused of sexually assaulting a patient – ongoing

#### **HCPC v CA**

Representing the HCPC in a case concerning allegations of coercive and controlling behaviour and serious sexual assault, following his acquittal in the Crown Court

#### **NMC v MM**

Defending a nurse accused of dishonestly covering up a serious clinical incident – no case to answer

#### **NMC v CR and TR**

Representing the NMC in complex fitness to practice matter concerning independent midwives

### **NMC v KT**

Defending a nurse accused of falsifying observations of a highly dangerous patient – no misconduct

### **GDC v KG**

Defending a trainee GP accused of dishonesty

### **R v AO (Woolwich Crown Court)**

Defending a pharmacist accused of assaulting his wife

### **Education**

**Securing the return of a student to a major public school following serious allegations of bullying**

**Representing a family in a contractual dispute with a public school following the successful appeal of their child's exclusion**

**Representing a family challenging exclusion from a state school**

**In the First Tier Tribunal, representing a family challenging the named school in an Education, Health and Care Plan**

## *Accreditation*

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