

Nikki Saxton K.C. CI Arb

YEAR OF CALL: 1992 | YEAR OF SILK: 2024



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LEGAL 500 - 2026 - TIER 1 - DIVORCE & FINANCIAL REMEDY

"She is incredibly reassuring for clients, and oozes gravitas. Her advocacy is flawless: she knows how to get a judge on side. An iron fist in a velvet glove!"

Legal 500 - 2026

"Nikki is at the top of her game. Her technical skill and eye for detail are unmatched. She has the ability to get to the core of any case, no matter how complex."

Legal 500 - 2026

Overview

Nikki Saxton KC is a leading financial remedy Silk who practises in London, from 5 St Andrew's Hill and in Leeds and the Northern Circuit from Broadway House Chambers. She practises exclusively in family law. She is recognised in the Top Tier of Chambers & Partners and The Legal 500.

Nikki is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and available to undertake financial arbitration and private FDRs.

Nikki is a Northern powerhouse who has a loyal following, acting for clients with complex financial disputes. She is instructed by clients in London, Leeds & the Northern Circuit. Her clients are often high-profile and/or high-net-worth individuals.

She has over 20 years' experience, specialising exclusively in the field of:

Matrimonial finance.

Schedule 1 claims (Financial rights for unmarried parents).

Large and involved financial remedy claims - often involving complex trust & business structures.

Nuptial agreements.

Nikki's aim is always to achieve a settlement for her clients, but is prepared to fight and is known for her ability to "cross-examine to devastating effect."

"She is a formidable advocate and hugely technical when it comes to her understanding of complex businesses and financial arrangements"

Chambers & Partners 2026

"Nikki Saxton KC has a vast amount of experience in complex finance matters. She regularly advises high net worth individuals on cases involving corporate assets and trusts as well as farms. Nikki Saxton KC is a great barrister"

Chambers & Partners - 2025

Recent instructions have included: successfully defending a challenge to a pre-nuptial agreement in proceedings involving assets exceeding £60 million; acting for a party in contentious proceedings concerning the division of multi-generational farming assets where the future impact of a proposed renewable energy scheme on land values formed a significant consideration, alongside related negotiations to achieve a commercially sensible solution; acting in a 10 day financial remedy hearing, establishing that millions of pounds removed by the opposing party was financial conduct and successfully advancing the argument that their future needs should not dominate but should be reduced to a minimum and representing a high-profile sportsman in long running Schedule 1 proceedings.

Additional Information

Nikki is a passionate expert in relation to financial remedies, and she regularly lectures to the following organisations:

The Judicial College,

Resolution,

The FLBA (national conference).

Professional Memberships

Nikki is a qualified arbitrator and is a member of CI Arb

The Judicial College
Resolution
The FLBA

Financial Remedy

Nikki undertakes financial remedy work for high-net-worth individuals and is regularly involved in cases where the assets exceed £20m and regularly acts in cases of substantial value and complexity.

She has been involved in a number of high-net-worth High Court matters, typically involving assets up to - £75m.

She was recently instructed in a complex 10-day conduct case. Nikki successfully argued that the husband's embezzlement of just under £3m from the family company, over 20 years was so grave that he should be reduced to his basic needs to be met on schedule 1 style terms to survive potential bankruptcy.

Her cases frequently involve family businesses and privately owned companies, and she has experience of both foreign and domestic trusts.

Non-Court Dispute Resolution

Nikki is a qualified arbitrator and is a member of CI Arb.

Nikki is regularly chosen as a pFDR neutral evaluator.

Nikki has a holistic and commercial approach to litigation and, in addition to her advocacy in court, a large amount of her work is conducted behind closed doors, assuring her clients the privacy and timescales they need. She has concluded negotiated settlements with assets up to £450m and regularly represents clients at joint settlement meetings, private Financial Dispute Resolution hearings and Arbitrations.

Cases of Note

Goodman v Walker [2024] EWFC 212B

Re A (Schedule1; Overspend, costs clawback) [2022] EWFC 21

L v L [2021] EWFC B83

MF v SF (Financial Remedy: Financial Conduct) [2016] 2 FLR 622

FS v PS [2015] EWHChc 2797

AR v AR (Treatment of Inherited Wealth) [2011] EWHC 2717 (fam)

Richardson v Richardson [2011] EWCA Civ 79

Accreditation

