

PRESENTERS



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Jennie's clients value her energy and passion. She brings a thorough, yet efficient approach, ensuring her clients are always kept abreast of all available options. Enjoying the challenge that the constant flux of family law brings, Jennie is seen as a formidable expert in all things family law; regularly speaking at events and writing commentary for family court procedure and the Property (Relationships) Act 1976. Together with Amanda Donovan, she now leads the thriving family law team at Haigh Lyon.



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Simon has had more than 33 years' legal experience specialising almost exclusively in family law since 1983. After 20 years as a partner with Shieff Angland (where he led a family law team renowned for its ability and from which has emerged many leading family law practitioners), he left to practise at the independent bar in June 2006. Simon was elevated to the status of Queen's Counsel in 2013. He has appeared in the Family Court, the High Court and the Court of Appeal. A number of Simon's cases feature in the Law Reports and he is particularly noted for his appellate advocacy.

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