



Rowena Meager

Inheritance Wills and Estates

Year of Call: 2007

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Rowena has a busy court and advisory practice dealing with a range of issues including, but not limited to, applications for reasonable financial provision pursuant to the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependants) Act 1975, contested probate claims (undue influence, capacity, etc), breach of trust, construction of trusts and wills, removal of personal representatives and actions for an account.

Rowena regularly appears in the County Court and High Court in procedural hearings, contested applications, multi-track trials and appeals. She has recently appeared in the Court of Appeal in the significant, reported case of *Jennison v Jennison* [2022] EWCA Civ 1682; [2023] 2 WLR 1017, where she successfully resisted a second appeal (having represented the Claimant successfully both at trial and on the first appeal) challenging the standing of a foreign executor to issue proceedings in England without first obtaining a grant of probate or resealed grant. Permission to appeal to the Supreme Court has been refused.

Memberships

- Lincoln's Inn (Lord Denning, Hardwicke and Shelford Scholar and Buchanan Prize Winner)
- Denning Society (society of scholars of Lincoln's Inn)
- Property Bar Association
- Society of Legal Scholars
- Planning and Environment Bar Association

Qualifications

- LLB (Hons) (First Class)
- BCL (Oxon)
- BVC (graded 'Outstanding')

- Licensed for direct access
- Awarded a 'Lord Denning Scholarship', a 'Hardwicke Scholarship' and a 'Shelford Scholarship' by Lincoln's Inn
- Awarded a 'Buchanan Prize' by Lincoln's Inn for 'outstanding' BVC performance
- Awarded the 'Clifford Chance Prize' for best performance in Civil Procedure in the 2003 BCL examinations
- Awarded the 'Barnett Bequest' by Merton College, Oxford, to study for the BCL
- Awarded 'Linnels Prize' for best graduating undergraduate law student in her year