



2006 First female solicitor QC

Award of excellence -Law Society Business Woman of the year 2009.

Resolution accredited specialist in domestic abuse, children, advocacy and child abduction & Law Society accredited Children Panel Member. Accredited criminal duty solicitor.

June Venters remains one of only two female solicitors to have achieved the position of Queen's Counsel putting her at the forefront of her profession and a leader in her field. June sits as a Recorder, [part time Judge] in both the Crown Court and County Court.

A highly committed Lawyer, June leaves no stone unturned. Enthusiastic, energetic and determined, she is someone you would want on your side.

Specialist areas of Law

- **Family** – Includes representation of parents, children and extended family members. Cases range from those involving social services to private family matters such as divorce, ancillary relief, financial dispute, contact, residence, domestic abuse, child abduction and forced marriages. June is also a **collaborative lawyer**.
- **Criminal Law** – Includes all aspects of criminal offences from Road Traffic Accidents through to Murder.
- **Mediation** – June offers a mediation service to **help resolve disputes**. As a family and civil mediator, she believes it is better to come to an agreement by fair discussion, than to have an outcome imposed by a Court. She is the Complaints Adjudicator for the Family Mediation Association.

Notable cases

- **Family – Reported Decision 2009** sitting as Recorder, granting Shared Residence Order to parents of 9 year old child. Decision upheld on Appeal.
- Represented a gay couple in a high profile sperm donor case **which hit the headlines early 2011**. **Currently** representing the **first person ever** to be sent to prison in this county under the new **Forced Marriage Laws**.
- **Criminal - Dome Robbery and Damilola Taylor Murder.**

June has undertaken considerable work in the media and has written articles on law and mediation, and is a contributor to a Family Law publication. In 1996 she featured in a **BBC 1 documentary** about her working life, which was **updated for BBC 4 in 2008**. In addition June has been invited to **advise the Ministry of Justice** on setting up nationwide mediation clinics following the unparalleled success of her own Advice & Mediation Clinic operated on a pro bono basis from a medical practice in Surrey.