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Carolina is a Spanish Abogado, who cross-qualified as a Solicitor in 2006. She joined Dawson Cornwell in 2003 having won a second European Commission scholarship and qualified as a European Lawyer in this jurisdiction in 2004. She is known as a “go-to practitioner for cross-border work involving both public and private children cases”.

Carolina is an accredited lawyer instructed by the Central Authority of England and Wales (ICACU) to represent Applicants in 1980 and 1996 Hague Convention matters and also represent Respondents in this area of law. She specialises in international cases particularly child abduction, registration and enforcement of foreign orders, leave to remove, residence, surrogacy, contact and public law cases. She has represented parties in child abduction and cross-border matters in all instances in the UK including the Supreme Court and in the European Court of Human Rights and European Court of Justice.

Carolina graduated from the University of Murcia, Spain with a degree in law having studied international family at the Università degli Studi Magna Græcia, Italy on a European Commission "Erasmus" scholarship. She was named as The Times' Lawyer of the Week in 2014. In 2016 she was selected by the USA Embassy in the UK to participate in their highly prestigious US State Department International Visitors Leadership Program She was invited by the Spanish Judicial Council to participate in the training of the Spanish Judiciary in international family law in 2016 and she was the winner of Jordans Family Law Awards "International Lawyer of the Year" 2016.

Carolina is a frequent speaker at family law conferences both within the UK and internationally. She has authored a number of articles which have been published in the media and in legal journals and is the author of a Spanish-language book about child abduction, *Sustracción Internacional de Menores y el proceso legal para la restitucion del menor*. She is consistently ranked by both Chambers and Partners and The Legal 500.

Carolina is a Fellow and elected Governor of the European Chapter of the International Academy of Family Lawyers, Counsellor of the Union International des Avocats Human Rights Commission, a member of the International Committee of Resolution, elected Executive member for international affairs of the Bar Association of Murcia, Founder and Secretary of the Spanish Association of Collaborative Lawyers and Vice-President of ASIME, Spanish association of child abduction professionals. She is a visiting professor for Carlos III University of Madrid on their postgraduate Specialist in International Family Law course.

Carolina's first language is Spanish. She also speaks fluent English and Italian.

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