

**Topic: Drawing on live cases involving children and vulnerable witnesses, how do you deal with coercive control, domestic violence and honour-based violence as part of a fact-finding hearing?**

- Definitions
  - **Practice Direction 12 J - Child Arrangements & Contact Orders: Domestic Abuse and Harm**  
URL: [https://www.justice.gov.uk/courts/procedure-rules/family/practice directions/pd part 12j#1a](https://www.justice.gov.uk/courts/procedure-rules/family/practice%20directions/pd%20part%2012j#1a)
- Extended definition of Coercive Behaviour
  - **Cafcass Domestic Abuse Practice Pathway**  
URL: <https://www.cafcass.gov.uk/grown-ups/parents-and-carers/domestic-abuse/>
- Extended definition of “harm”
  - **Sec 31(9) Children Act 1989**  
URL: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1989/41/section/31>
  - **Sec 120 Adoption and Children Act 2002**  
URL: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2002/38/section/120>
  - **Cafcass report: Coercive Control: Impacts on children and young people in the family environment (2018)**  
URL: <https://www.researchinpractice.org.uk/children/publications/2018/december/coercive-control-impacts-on-children-and-young-people-in-the-family-environment-literature-review-2018/>
  - **Domestic Abuse Bill 2021**  
URL: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2021/17/contents/enacted>
- Case law:
  - **R v P (Children: Similar Fact Evidence) [2020] EWCA Civ 1088**  
URL: <https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWCA/Civ/2020/1088.html>
- Cross-examination by perpetrators
  - Case Law:
    - **PS v BP [2018] EWHC 1987 (Fam)**  
URL: <https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWHC/Fam/2018/1987.html>

- **Re: J [2018] EWCA Civ 115**

URL: <https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWCA/Civ/2018/115.html>

- **Re: A (a minor) (fact finding; unrepresented party) [2017] EWHC 1195 (Fam)**

URL: <https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWHC/Fam/2017/1195.html>

- Participation in proceedings

- **Part 3A - Vulnerable persons: Participation in Proceedings and Giving Evidence**

URL: <https://www.justice.gov.uk/courts/procedure-rules/family/parts/part-3a-vulnerable-persons-participation-in-proceedings-and-giving-evidence>

- **Practice Direction 3AA - Vulnerable persons: Participation in Proceedings and giving evidence**

URL: [https://www.justice.gov.uk/courts/procedure-rules/family/practice\\_directions/practice-direction-3aa-vulnerable-persons-participation-in-proceedings-and-giving-evidence](https://www.justice.gov.uk/courts/procedure-rules/family/practice_directions/practice-direction-3aa-vulnerable-persons-participation-in-proceedings-and-giving-evidence)

- Case law:

- **Re S (Vulnerable Parent: Intermediary) [2020] EWCA Civ 763**

URL: <https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWCA/Civ/2020/763.html>