

## **PHILIP MARCUS**

### **Brief Biography**

Philip Marcus was born and educated in England. After obtaining his LL.B. (Bachelor of Laws) degree at University College London, and qualifying as a Solicitor, he moved to Jerusalem in 1978. He was admitted as an Advocate at the Israel Bar in 1979, and from then until his appointment as a Judge of the Jerusalem Magistrates Court in 1995, he was in private practice.

He obtained his LL.M (Master of Laws) degree at Haifa University: his thesis, entitled *Hohfeld Without Rights*, forms the basis for a book he is writing, tentatively to be called *Why Rights are Wrong, and What to Do About Them*.

He served as a Judge of the Jerusalem Family Court from its opening in 1997 until his retirement in 2012.

Since then he has spoken and presented workshops on Family Law, including Child Law, Elder Law, and on the law relating to people with disabilities, on five continents. He has lectured on Jewish values and political philosophy.

He is an expert consultant to the Knesset Constitution, Legislation and Law Committee and on the team of lecturers for Mashav – Israel's agency for international cooperation. He is a member of the professional advisory board of Children Come First (Israel) and the board of experts of Simply Parent (USA).

He has written and published numerous articles, for example on *Parental Responsibilities: Reformulating the Paradigm for Parent-Child Relationships* (published in the *Journal of Child Custody*), on prevention of parental alienation and contact failure (to be published in English by the International Society of Family Law and in Hebrew by the Israel Society of Medicine and Law), and on testamentary capacity and on guardianship relating to persons with disabilities.

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