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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, Industrial Disease, Group Litigation, International & Travel, Inquests, Product Liability, Aviation

Aliyah Akram is acknowledged as a leading junior in personal injury, industrial disease and product liability litigation. She is renowned for her expertise and experience in group litigation in all of the core areas in which she practices. Many of her cases have an international aspect and give rise to both jurisdictional issues and conflicts of laws.

The value and complexity of Aliyah's cases means that the vast majority of her work is in the High Court of Justice.

Aliyah is a robust and persuasive trial advocate. She prides herself on working closely as a team with instructing solicitors, not just in group litigation, but in every case in which she is involved. Her focus is always on maximising the client's prospects of success. She is able to cut through the background noise and gets straight to the issues.

She is a contributing author of *Asbestos: Law & Litigation* (Sweet & Maxwell, 2019). She has been described by *Chambers & Partners* as a 'rising star'.

International & Travel

Aliyah is frequently instructed in high-value cross-border personal injury cases. These cases frequently involve serious personal injury and private international law and so combine some of the key elements of Aliyah's practice. Her advice is often sought in difficult questions concerning jurisdiction or the conflict of laws. She regularly acts in aviation and maritime claims too.

Notable cases include:

- *Howe v MIB*
- *Nelson v Jet2*
- *Anderson v British Airways*

Her practice is wide ranging and has included acting on behalf of security personnel injured in the course of their work in Syria and Iraq and for holiday makers involved accidents across Europe and from as far afield as Sri Lanka, Thailand and the Caribbean.

Her international litigation experience includes cross-border group claims, such as *Vilca & Ors v Xstrata Plc & Xstrata Tintaya* in which she dealt with quantum issues for Peruvian environmental protestors who had been attacked and tortured as a result of their involvement in a demonstration and *The Bodo Community v The Shell Petroleum Development Company of Nigeria* where she assisted with preparation for a mediation in a claim brought by a fishing

community for extensive environmental damage caused by an oil spill in the Niger Delta.

Qualifications

Bar Professional Training Course, Kaplan Law School

LLM in European Law, Newnham College, University of Cambridge

MA, Law, Newnham College, University of Cambridge

Memberships

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