

Gemma Scott

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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Industrial Disease, Personal Injury, International & Travel, Product Liability, Clinical Negligence, Group Claim Litigation, Group Litigation

Gemma specialises in serious personal injury cases, industrial disease claims, and in large group actions.

She regularly appears against silks and senior juniors in High Court cases. She is also frequently instructed as junior counsel in multi-million pound claims, often working alongside silks from other chambers.

She is ranked in the fields of Personal Injury and Industrial Disease in the Legal 500 and in Chambers & Partners.

Gemma is a contributor to Sweet and Maxwell's Asbestos: Law and Litigation.

Aviation

Notable cases

(1) PE (2) IC v MW & 6 others

Acted as junior Counsel alongside John Kimbell K.C. in a claim arising from a helicopter crash. Liability and quantum were hotly contested. The case also raised complicated issues in respect of tax liabilities. Both Claimants were resident in Sweden and would be required to pay tax on damages paid in respect of loss of earnings, pension, and/or financial dependency.

HT v Cavaciuti & 7 others



A husband and wife were killed when an aeroplane, piloted by the husband, crashed. The couple had three children who made claims for financial and services' dependencies in the region of £4.5m. The claim was presented on the basis of a global family dependency.

Gemma was led by John Kimbell K.C. They were instructed by the Defendant insurers of the personal representatives of the husband. The case settled on a global basis (costs and damages) for less than £1m.

Qualifications & Awards

The Queen's College, Oxford University, MA (Hons) Modern History

Post Graduate Diploma in Law (Nottingham Law School)

Bar Vocational Course (Nottingham Law School)

The Blake Prize in History, The Queen's College, Oxford

Memberships

PIBA

Directories

Gemma manages to take a broad overview of cases but is also very thorough and attentive to the details of the evidence. The standard of the documents she drafts is excellent. – Chambers & Partners, 2024

Her particular strengths are attention to detail, grappling with very difficult issues quickly and providing good, pragmatic advice to clients. – Chambers & Partners, 2024

She is an absolute star. She is very, very thorough and very good with clients. - Chambers & Partners, 2024

Gemma has provided some first-class advices in some very difficult cases, dealing with complex issues and expert witnesses. – Chambers & Partners, 2024

Gemma is pragmatic in her approach and able to advise with ease on complex matters. - Chambers & Partners, 2024

Gemma considers everything in fine detail in order to give the best advice. - Chambers & Partners, 2024

Gemma has huge experience in the field of asbestos-related illness claims and her technical knowledge in this field is superb. – Legal 500, 2024

She has the ability to explain complex issues in terms clients can understand. - Chambers & Partners, 2023

Gemma is very experienced in complex asbestos cases. - Chambers & Partners, 2023

She offers fantastic, practical advice. - Chambers & Partners, 2023

Gemma is an outstanding junior at the heart of the engine room at 12KBW, able to to master the most complex legal and factual issues in catastrophic injury claims with consummate ease. —Legal 500, 2023

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Has been at the forefront of a lot of high-profile asbestos cases, and the quality of her work is exceptional. – Chambers & Partners, 2022

She is an expert in asbestos litigation and has been involved in some of the recent test cases. - Legal 500, 2022

A brilliant, experienced junior who is very efficient, gives detailed advice and is able to deal with complicated cases. She has a clear-minded approach to issues and is very responsive. – Chambers & Partners, 2021

Has been involved in some of the most high profile cases in the area of asbestos litigation. Always super prepared and brings complex issues down to an understandable level due to her in-depth knowledge. – Legal 500, 2021

A very thorough junior. - Chambers & Partners, 2020

Her knowledge of the development of the understanding of asbestos risks is peerless. - Legal 500, 2019

Her knowledge on the history of asbestos is encyclopaedic. - Chambers & Partners, 2019

She is potentially a rising star in industrial disease matters. - Legal 500, 2018

Incredibly calm and intelligent lawyer who relates well to clients and produces work of the highest quality. – Legal 500, 2018

She has an excellent grasp of the law. - Legal 500, 2017

She's very bright and her in-depth knowledge of asbestos work is particularly remarkable given her call. – Chambers & Partners, 2017

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She has a depth of knowledge of someone twice her call. - Legal 500, 2016

She has a fantastic depth of knowledge of asbestos cases - far beyond her year of call. - Legal 500, 2015