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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, Industrial Disease, International & Travel, Clinical Negligence, Product Liability, Health & Safety, Inquests, Fraud, Public Authority Liability, Property, Mediation, Aviation

Specialist personal injury practitioner. Recognised as a leading junior in Chambers & Partners notably for travel related work. However, his experience is broad including product liability, occupational disease, fatal and catastrophic head and bodily injury often in consequence of cycling, motorcycling and motor racing accidents.

He has a science degree and is known for cases which have technical features, product liability, food poisoning, unusual pathogens, and scientific causation arguments as well as clinical negligence claims.

James specialises in health & safety, and is regularly instructed to act in relation to prosecution arising from serious accidents and near misses in industry, freight transport, medical and care institutions. On several occasions James has conducted inquest, criminal and civil proceedings in the same matter.

Away from work James attention is directed at his 4 children, watching and playing sport, keeping bees, making and mending furniture.

Property

As set out under Public Authority liability James has experience of a wide array of property damage claims relating to flood, water supply and highway authority responsibility for water drainage, questions concerning the responsibility for private/public sewers and claims arising from fire, tort of Rylands v Fletcher etc. In addition he has conducted a number of cases concerning damage to houses caused by vehicles leaving the road at high speed.

Examples of James work include:

- *Various Claimants v Tas Pide Restaurant & Others(2007)* a claim by numerous residents of flats above a restaurant in a property on Farringdon Rd London arising from fire which escaped from a wood burning oven flue on account of inadequate design of a flue and its concealment conduit. Action settled after issue but before trial.

Qualifications & Awards

University of Aberdeen BSc(Hons) Pharmacology

Polytechnic of Central London [now University of Westminster] Diploma in law

London School of Mediation accredited mediator

Appointments & Memberships

Lincoln's Inn

Member Personal Injuries Bar Association [Executive Committee member 2000 to 2016]

Member AVMA

Directories

"He is praised for his attention to detail." – Legal 500, 2018

"He has excellent knowledge of sickness claims in particular, and is down-to-earth and very helpful. He's very thorough, digs down into the details and is a fantastic advocate." – Chambers & Partners, 2019

"He has huge in-depth medical knowledge as well as legal knowledge. His knowledge of chemistry and illness allow him to take a very strong view of claims abroad." – Chambers & Partners, 2016