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## James Sullivan

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### AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, International & Travel, Clinical Negligence, Fraud, Sports, Health & Safety, Credit Hire, Insurance

James' practice is predominantly mid to high end Multi Track work. He regularly appears in court and has a strong paperwork practice. He accepts claims on a CFA basis and is willing to consider pro bono work where appropriate.

He has particular interest and experience in respect of travel law and accidents abroad, MIB and RTA 1988 related matters, head and brain injury cases, complex regional pain syndrome and fibromyalgia, and cycling and motorcycling accidents (and in particular questions of contributory negligence relating to the wearing / use of cycle helmets).

James also has a strong clinical negligence practice.

James was ranked in the Personal Injury section of the 2015 Edition of Chambers and Partners as 'up and coming'.

### Credit Hire

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James has extensive experience in cases concerning credit hire (ranging from fast track level cases through to substantial Multi Track claims well in excess of £100,000).

He appeared as junior counsel (led by Ronald Walker Q.C.) in the cases of *Copley v Lawn* and *Maden v Haller* (concerning the issue of 'intervention' by defendant insurers in the credit hire process). He was also Counsel for the Defendant in the decision of *Abdi v Fletcher* (one of the few reported decisions concerning the question of 'cross-hire').

He regularly provides lectures and presentations on the subject of credit hire.

### Qualifications & Awards

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B.Sc. (First Class Honours) Government (London School of Economics)

M.Phil. (Distinction) International Relations (Magdalene College, Cambridge University)

Post Graduate Diploma in Law (Distinction) (College of Law)

Bar Vocational Course (Very Competent) (ICSL)

Howard Laski Scholarship (LSE 1999-2000)

Princes Royal Scholar (Inner Temple 2004-2005)

## Directories

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Ranked in Chambers and Partners, 2015 – Personal Injury (up and coming) and Legal 500, 2017 & 2018 – Travel Law (Leading Juniors).

## Memberships

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PIBA, LCLCBA, AvMA

## Cases

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*Copley v Lawn and Maden v Haller* [2009] EWCA Civ 580. Appeared as Junior Counsel, led by Ronald Walker Q.C. for the Defendants in these credit hire cases concerning: (1) whether or not it is unreasonable for claimants, whose vehicles have been damaged in road traffic accidents, to reject offers of replacement vehicles from defendant insurers; and (2) the question, if it is unreasonable for claimants to reject such offers, of the correct measure of damages.