

## Kate Chandler

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### AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, Credit Hire, Industrial Disease, Costs, Fraud

Kate is an experienced advocate with an established civil practice. She accepts instructions in all of chambers' practice areas but has developed particular expertise in claims arising from road traffic cases, public liability and highways claims, credit hire, employers' liability and workplace accidents, as well as experience in industrial disease and Animal Act claims.

Kate is regularly instructed to act on behalf of Claimants and Defendants in both liability and quantum disputes and is prepared to consider accepting instructions on a CFA basis where appropriate. Kate is happy to attend court in London and further afield, in person or remotely. She is sensitive to the commercial realities of litigation and strives to achieve results which make practical and commercial sense to those instructing her.

Kate has considerable experience in Fast and Multi Track trial work as well as applications, CMC's and CCMC's. In addition, Kate has a paperwork practice which includes advising, drafting pleadings, Schedules and Counter Schedules, Part 18 Requests, as well as Part 35 Questions.

Clients find her approachable and appreciate the way she is able to put them at ease. Kate is an effective and persuasive advocate with excellent cross examination skills.

### Personal Injury

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Kate's broad personal injury practice encompasses all aspects of personal injury litigation to include road traffic accidents (including credit hire, fraud and MIB matters), employers' liability, public liability and highways claims, industrial disease, stress at work and Animals Act 1971 claims (including equine cases).

Kate regularly advises on quantum, liability and tactics. She represents both Claimants and Defendants at trial as well as for interim applications.

### Credit Hire

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Kate has extensive experience in cases concerning credit hire. In this field, she acts predominantly for Defendant insurers but also accepts instructions from Claimants. She is fully familiar with the evolving areas of argument in this field.

She is confident in cross examining Claimants on impecuniosity, enforceability, need, period and rate, as well as complex issues, such as agency, fleets of vehicles and intervention letters.

Kate has appeared for clients at all levels, ranging from Fast Track to high value Multi Track cases.

## **Industrial Disease**

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Kate acts for both Claimants and Defendants in industrial disease claims. In particular, she is instructed in cases involving noise induced hearing loss.

## **Fraud**

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Kate is regularly instructed in road traffic accidents claims where fraud is alleged, including alleged low velocity impacts, alleged phantom passengers and alleged induced accidents.

## **Costs**

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Costs work is an inherent part of Kate's court practice, and she is well-versed in matters such as costs budgeting, CCMC's, budget variation, summary assessments and interim applications. She is regularly instructed at CCMC's where budgets are heavily disputed.

## **Qualifications**

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University of London: London External LLB (Hons)

## **Memberships**

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Personal Injuries Bar Association

Inner Temple

## **Directories**

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*Counsel have in-depth knowledge and a high level of expertise.* – Legal 500, 2017

*The set of choice for personal injury matters including travel litigation, which is an area that chambers is constantly strengthening.* – Legal 500, 2017

*A wealth of talent at both senior and junior levels acting for both claimants and defendants.* – Chambers & Partners, 2015

*Second-to-none strength in depth and a broad church of barristers, all of whom are fiercely intelligent.* – Legal 500, 2015