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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, Clinical Negligence, Insurance, Fraud, Public Authority Liability, Mediation

Nigel is widely recognised as a Leading Junior. He is a specialist in personal injury, clinical negligence and motor insurance. He has extensive experience in particular in employers' liability, public liability, clinical negligence, road traffic and equine accidents. He is instructed in cases involving the analysis of "black boxes" and telematics.

Nigel is regularly instructed by both defendants and claimants in cases of severe brain injuries, amputation and state-of-the-art prosthetics, and conditions of chronic pain. He is frequently instructed on complex issues of causation.

In The Legal 500 2015, Nigel is described as having "a good manner with clients" who is "a calming presence in stressful situations". He is further praised in Chambers & Partners 2016 for being "very methodical and has a softly spoken manner which is deadly and gets his point across"

Clients say he has a "sharp mind" and a "charming personality". A "true gentleman", who can "solve almost any problem that comes his way".

Personal Injury

Principal areas of expertise include:

- Brain injuries, both subtle and severe
- Amputation claims and prosthetics
- Causation, in particular the diagnosis and causation of unusual medical syndromes and the exacerbation of pre-existing medical conditions
- Chronic pain
- Psychiatric illness
- Telematics and black box analysis
- Accidents involving horses
- Damages for the loss of a chance

Clinical Negligence

Nigel undertakes clinical negligence work especially in claims involving negligent treatment in the aftermath of accidental injury.

Insurance

Nigel specialises in the law of motor insurance, including claims involving the Motor Insurers' Bureau.

Fraud

Cases involving fraudulent exaggeration and malingering and disputes around the admissibility and significance of surveillance evidence including static surveillance.

Public Authority Liability

The liability of public authorities, principally highway-related.

Mediation

Nigel conducts a large number of joint settlement meetings and mediations as counsel and is also an accredited mediator.

Appointments & Memberships

Accredited mediator.

Member of the Personal Injuries Bar Association and the Professional Negligence Bar Association.

Directories

Chambers & Partners

Legal 500

But referred to in the Overview above

Publications

Editor, Kemp & Kemp, Personal Injury Law, Practice and Procedure.

Cases

Huntley v Simmons [2009] EWHC 406 (QB), [2010] EWCA Civ 54
(brain injury, quantum and Part 36 offers)

Dalling v R J Heale [2010] EWCA Civ 365
(competing causation of brain injury, quantum)

Milton Keynes BC v Nulty [2011] EWHC 2847 (TCC)
(causation, multiple causes, breach of condition of insurance, damages for loss of chance)

Ede v Whitwood QBD, 19/04/2012
(liability for catastrophic injury to young pedal cyclist)

Paramasivan v Wicks [2013] EWCA Civ 262
(liability for injury to a pedestrian)

Nadarajah v Sotnick [2013] EWHC 3389 (QB)
(liability and quantum, catastrophic injuries to a motorcyclist)

Smith v Harding 26/11/2013
(riding accident, Animals Act 1971)

Churchill v Boot [2016] EWHC 1322 (QB)
(revision of costs budgets in a claim for brain injury)

Horncastle v Marshall 10/03/2016
(seat belts, liability for costs following late acceptance of a Part 36 offer)