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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, Fraud, Costs, Product Liability, Industrial Disease, International & Travel, Inquests, Public Authority Liability, Insurance

Oliver has a wide-ranging practice with extensive experience in dealing with a range of cases from chronic pain and industrial disease litigation, to cases involving alleged defective products, professional negligence and exaggerated and fraudulent claims.

Oliver regularly acts for leading national and international insurers and is frequently instructed in advisory as well as costs matters.

Oliver acts for both claimants and defendants and has experience in representing a number of local authorities and Health Care Trusts. He has frequently been instructed in cases valued at over £1m.

Oliver's areas of expertise include the following: –

- Complex orthopaedic and psychiatric injuries;
- Brain Injuries;
- Fraud and exaggerated claims [including use of surveillance evidence];
- Fatal Accidents;
- Pain disorders including "CPRS" Complex Regional Pain Syndrome, somatoform disorders, chronic pain and fibromyalgia;
- Injuries and damage arising from alleged defective products;
- Industrial disease;
- International injury cases;
- Costs.

Costs

Oliver has extensive experience dealing with a range of costs issues from discrete costs points arising in litigation to detailed assessment proceedings.

He is regularly instructed to advise on various costs points including those relating to fraud and exaggerated claims.

Oliver is regularly instructed in Costs and Case Management Conferences in high value cases involving catastrophic injuries including, brain injuries, chronic pain and fibromyalgia.

Oliver has also experience advising and representing parties in detailed assessment hearings at both the County Courts and the Senior Courts Costs Office in a range of personal injury and industrial disease matters.

Oliver has given seminars on costs issues and regularly received paperwork regarding costs issues.

Recent cases have included:

- Acted for D in case involving the application of r.36.10(5)(b) (now 36.17(5)) in relation to costs consequences following compromise of claim pleaded at over £2.56 million which ultimately settled for £150,000 following disclosure of surveillance evidence. Issues included timing of disclosure of surveillance evidence, expert evidence, construction of CPR Amendment Rules, and conduct;
- Acting for D, late acceptance by C of D's Part 36 offer during detailed assessment hearing following judgments in favour of D on initial parts of C's bill including issues of hourly rates, duplication and proportionality;
- R-Successful reduction in C's bill of costs and recovery of costs of detailed assessment hearing following C's failure to better D's Part 36 before Senior Costs Master;

Qualifications & Awards

BVC (Ranked Outstanding in Personal Injury/Clinical Negligence) BPP Law School

GDL City University

MSc London School of Economics and Political Sciences

BA (Biological Sciences) Oxon

Exhibitioner (New College, Oxford)

Academic Prizes (New College, Oxford)

Sir Thomas More Bursary, Lincoln's Inn

Lord Haldane Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn

Memberships

Personal Injuries Bar Association