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Barrister at Law and Medical Expert

Diligent legal work combines well with my extensive experience as a medical expert to give clients added value with their personal injury and clinical negligence cases and to exceed their expectations. I believe strongly in the team approach and work closely with solicitors to achieve the most advantageous results for our clients. I am a strong supporter of CFA/ATE funding for suitable cases.

Currently my practice focuses on personal injury and clinical negligence. I am involved with all types of RTA cases including low velocity impacts and credit hire; employer's and public liability matters, occupational injury and disease as well as multi-disciplinary clinical negligence claims. I work for both Claimants and Defendants however the former make up the majority of my practice at present.

I qualified in Medicine from the University of Manchester in 2001 and was admitted by examination to the Royal College of General Practitioners in 2005; I continue to be registered and licensed to practice as a GP. My working knowledge of law and experience as a medical expert, having produced thousands of expert medical reports, ensure that I get the best from experts and I am able to develop value within a case as a result. I am actively engaged in training medical experts to report on personal injury and clinical negligence and have this exclusive position from which to liaise and guide experts to make the most of their evidence.

My approval by the Secretary of State under s. 12(2) of the Mental Health Act to assess, treat and detain patients with mental disorders provides a unique insight into the psychiatric damage components of personal injury which are often under-identified in many cases.

I have been admitted by examination to the Faculty of Occupational Medicine in 2008 and again use this qualification and my experience as an Occupational Health doctor to ensure that all aspects of a claim for loss of earnings, care, disability and Smith v Manchester awards are maximised; I am able to assist the experts involved to focus on the legally relevant issues to prove such claims.

Many cases involve complex liability and causation issues which I am able to deal with and can advise on the suitability of experts; I retain regular contact with many fellow experts around the country in different disciplines who can assist when difficulties arise.

In summary I am able to provide prompt, comprehensive advice from a medical, legal and commercial perspective to enable cases to be dealt with as quickly and as profitably as possible.

Finally, I have accreditation from the SRA and APIL to provide CPD qualifying training to solicitors on relevant subject areas. I deliver talks and seminars to both medical specialists and solicitors on topics such as "*Getting the most out of LVI cases*", "*Anatomy and Injury*" and "*Psychiatric Damage in Personal Injury*". I can deliver engaging talks on a number of interesting subject areas that firms persistently rate highly.

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