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"He is technically excellent and can easily pick up on the nuances of a case." Chambers and Partners 2023

"He has a great ability to 'cut through' the heads of loss as stated on paper and to give sensible, reliable and accurate advice." The Legal 500 2023

Quintin practises across a range of chambers' specialisms with a focus on clinical negligence and personal injury. Quintin undertakes work for both claimants and defendants in catastrophic injury claims. Quintin is held in high regard by a number of the UK's leading insurers, but he also has a strong claimant practice enabling him to take a well-balanced view on matters. Quintin is involved at every stage of litigation, and while he appreciates the benefits of alternative dispute resolution (ADR), he has a successful history of fighting to trial those claims which are not capable of compromise.

Areas of expertise

Clinical Negligence

Personal Injury

- -- Animal Claims
- -- Employer's Liability
- -- Insurance Fraud
- -- Occupiers' Liability
- -- Road Traffic
- -- Sport Injury and Negligence

-- Road Traffic

Quintin has experience across the usual breadth of road traffic accidents, including multi-party pile-ups, fatal/catastrophic pedestrian collisions and motorcyclist claims. This experience has extended to the liability of taxi drivers for the safety of their passengers when alighting from their vehicles, and any potential liability of those drivers for the actions of their passengers.

Cases of note

- *WM v Insurer* (2021) Fatal Accident Act claim for £1.3m with issues re contributory negligence arising out of passenger's knowledge of drug use and passenger's distraction of driver.
- CS v PL (2020) Road traffic accident involving a loss of earnings claim pleaded at around £605,000. The matter proceeded to trial as to quantum only, heard by Recorder Bebb QC. The recorder chose to adopt a Smith v Manchester approach. Quintin acted for the defendant and sum for losses of earnings awarded of £45,000, with a consequent favourable costs order agreed. Application for permission to appeal dismissed at oral hearing in front of Mr Justice Henshaw.
- *SW v JA* (2019) The claimant was a double amputee following a road traffic accident. Claim pleaded at around £18m. Quintin was led by William Norris QC and matter settled at a joint settlement meeting at a considerable discount.
- MW v AL (2019) A claim for severe orthopaedic injuries arising out of a road traffic accident.
 Claim pleaded at around £4.5m. Quintin was led by Neil Block QC, and the matter settled at a joint settlement meeting.

Recommendations

Quintin is an outstanding junior barrister in whom clients can have the utmost confidence

- "Really good with clients and very effective in negotiations. He is very pragmatic, straight to the point and great on tricky cases." (Chambers and Partners 2021)
- "A personal injury junior of the highest quality, whose strengths include rigorous attention to detail and exceptional analytical skills." (The Legal 500 2021)
- "Quintin is bright, efficient and can easily cut through the detail to get to the crux of the case." (Chambers and Partners 2020)
- "A genuine all-rounder." (The Legal 500 2020)
- "He seems very driven and committed with a pragmatic mind." (The Legal 500 2019)
- "He is down-to-earth and has a very nice attitude with clients." (Chambers and Partners 2019)
- "He is very considered, thoughtful and detailed." (Chambers and Partners 2019)

Memberships

- Personal Injury Bar Association
- Middle Temple

Qualifications

Education

- 2005-2006: Bar Vocational Course, BPP Law School
- 2004-2005: GDL, BPP Law School
- 2000-2004: BA Classics, Oriel College, Oxford

Scholarships and Prizes

- Astbury Scholarship, Middle Temple
- Harmsworth Entrance Exhibition, Middle Temple

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