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Quintin Fraser

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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

Clinical Negligence

Quintin has extensive experience in high value clinical negligence matters, and has acted in cases involving abdominoplasties, orthopaedic operations, missed diagnoses, lack of informed consent and systemic hospital failure. He is instructed by the leading clinical negligence firms, including DAC Beachcroft, BLM, Hill Dickinsons, Irwin Mitchell, Slater & Gordon, Capsticks, Hempsons, and Weightmans.

Cases of note

- KA v AH (2022) Quintin represented the defendant general practitioner in a case where the
 delayed diagnosis of a tumour had led to impaired shoulder function of a young nurse leading to a
 claim of substantially over £2m. The matter settled on reasonable terms at a joint settlement
 meeting.
- Vinegrad v University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust [2021] 1 WLUK 512 – Quintin successfully represented the defendant trust in this claim where psychosis was alleged to have been caused by a failure to treat adequately the claimant after he had suffered a traumatic brain injury. The trial was head remotely over the course of four days at the height of the Covid-19 pandemic, with three experts called by each side.

• RB v NHS Trust (2021)

Quintin represented the defendant trust in this claim where a delayed diagnosis of spina bifida was admitted. There were complex issues re causation and scope of duty, and the claim settled a few days before a four-day High Court trial at a fraction of its potential value.

• WF v NHS Trust (2020)

Claim for around £1.8m for delayed diagnosis of a deep vein thrombosis (DVT). 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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