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“First-class technical skills and a strong insight into what a court is likely to do and not do.” Chambers and Partners 2020

James’s practice covers high value clinical negligence and personal injury claims, acting for claimants and defendants. He appeared in the widely reported case of WNA v. NDP (2023) and has particular expertise in issues of statutory funding and double recovery in very high value claims. James has expertise in proceedings for contempt of court arising out of dishonest claims. James is also an accredited mediator.

Areas of expertise

- Clinical Negligence
- Occupiers’ Liability
- Road Traffic
- Employers’ Liability
- Animal Claims
- Policy Coverage
- Insurance Fraud

Road Traffic

James handles very high value claims arising of road traffic accidents including those involving the emergency services. He has a particular interest in claims arising out of accidents that occur on smart motorways. He also has a developing interest in the field of autonomous vehicles.

Cases of note

- *WCN v. NDP* [2023] EWHC 2970 (KB) – Determination of statutory funding/double recovery issues arising out of settled tetraplegia claim.
- *Rajput v. Karamat* (2023) – Full trial of contributory negligence issue and quantum in vehicle vs pedestrian catastrophic brain injury claim, judgment awaited.
- *Vakharia and others v. Bukowski* [2022] EWHC 673 (QB) – Successful defence of contribution claim brought against a driver whose vehicle broke down on a smart motorway.
[Judgment](#)

Memberships

- PIBA
- South Eastern Circuit

Qualifications

Education

- 1989 St John's College, Cambridge MA Law

Languages

- Working knowledge of French

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