



Nina Goolamali KC

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Chambers and Partners

Nina Goolamali KC is highly regarded as a skilled and commercially astute advocate in her chosen fields of personal injury and sport. Described as being "one of the go-to KCs" who "prepares impeccably" and "inspires confidence", she is regularly instructed on behalf of Defendants in multi-million pound press sensitive cases especially when a new duty or standard of care is being advanced.

Twice nominated for Sports Law Silk of the Year by The Legal 500 (2022 and 2023), the Legal Directories have consistently listed Nina Goolamali KC as a Leading Practitioner in her chosen fields both as a Junior and in Silk.

Nina has a Post Graduate Diploma in Sports Law from King's College, London and is a member of the Sport Resolutions UK Pro Bono Legal Service. She is also part of the UK and Ireland Editorial Board of LawInSport, (a leading online international sports publication), and regularly speaks and writes on sports specific topics.

She holds the position of Specialist Arbitrator on the Sport Resolutions UK Panel. This is a 3 year appointment. She has also been a party appointed FA Rule K panel Arbitrator and has been admitted as a Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (MCIArb).

Areas of expertise

Personal Injury

Sport

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Personal Injury

“Her legal knowledge, meticulous preparation, attention to detail, creative tactical thinking and understanding of the detail of a case are all of the very highest calibre.” Chambers and Partners 2022

Nina is instructed by all the major Insurers and Claims Handlers in cases of maximum severity. She is particularly sought after for her expertise in claims relating to brain injuries on and off the field (especially cases involving minors, subtle brain injuries, concussion injuries, capacity and rehabilitation technology), para/tetraplegia, amputation cases, fatalities, chronic pain, stress at work, bullying and harassment, fraud and disputes against educational institutions.

Related Cases:

- ***L v W (2023-ongoing)***
Catastrophic injury claim. Liability and quantum in dispute. Instructed by DAC Beachcroft Solicitors on behalf of the Defendant.
- ***M v D & Anr (2023-ongoing)***
Multi-million pound claim following accident in the UK. Liability and quantum contested. Instructed by DAC Beachcroft Solicitors on behalf of the Defendants.
- ***S v S (2021-ongoing)***
Multi-million pound claim by US Citizen following accident in UK. Significant disputes on liability and quantum. Instructed by Kennedys Solicitors on behalf of the Defendant.
- ***S v O (2022-2023)***
Catastrophic injury claim following an indoor climbing accident. Quantum and causation in dispute. Instructed by Clyde & Co Solicitors on behalf of the Defendant. Recently compromised.
- ***D & M (2021-ongoing)***
Significant damages claim giving rise to multiple disputes on liability and quantum. Instructed by DWF Solicitors on behalf of the Defendant.
- ***S v I (2019-2023)***
Tetraplegia case (young adult) giving rise to multiple disputes on contributory negligence, causation and quantum including arguments about appropriate pain management, rehabilitation technology, care regimes and pre-accident condition. Instructed by Flint Bishop Solicitors on behalf of the Defendant. Recently compromised.
- ***I v B & Anr (2020)***
Multi-million pound claim arising out of accident at work. Disputes on liability giving rise to contribution proceedings and clinical disputes about life expectancy, prognosis and long term treatment/care needs. Instructed by Kennedys Solicitors on behalf of the Defendant. Compromised very shortly before trial.
- ***A Minor v J & Ors (2019-ongoing)***
Long running litigation. Catastrophic injuries suffered by newly born child following accident. Liability disputed. Disputes arising out of parental standard of care, causation, life expectancy impairment and accommodation entitlement. Instructed on by DAC Beachcroft on behalf of Defendant.
- ***F v D & Anr (2019-2020)***
Multi-million pound brain injury claim. Complex medical causation issues arising in connection with post accident clinical treatment and development of further injuries. Compromised shortly before trial. Instructed by DWF on behalf of Defendant.

Recommendations

The Legal Directories have consistently listed Nina Goolamali KC as a Leading Practitioner in her chosen fields both as a Junior and in Silk. Recommendations over the last 4 years include the following:

"Nina is always great with clients; she builds trust and engagement and is a brilliant negotiator and advocate with a tremendous eye for detail." Chambers and Partners 2024

"Her tactical awareness and ability to retain information and find creative solutions is really top level. Her user-friendliness is second to none, as are her customer service and her understanding of the realities of litigation." Chambers and Partners 2024

"Nina is...a fearsome negotiator – definitely someone you want in your corner, and not your opponent's. She is always on top of her brief, and has the ear of the court as a result." The Legal 500 2024

"Nina prepares impeccably, has unsurpassed knowledge and is a friendly and approachable team player." The Legal 500 2023

"The standout silk with a sport and PI overlap, specialising in the sporting context." The Legal 500 2023

"She has great interpersonal skills and a tremendously forensic eye for detail." Chambers and Partners 2023

"Nina provides incredible focus, knowledge and customer service." Chambers and Partners 2023

"Nina is a powerhouse in sports law. She knows both the law and the market inside out. A brilliant team leader and a formidable opponent." The Legal 500 2022

"Nina has an excellent eye for detail. She is very thorough and approachable, very commercial and excellent on complex quantum and liability cases." The Legal 500 2022

"Her legal knowledge, meticulous preparation, attention to detail, creative tactical thinking and understanding of the detail of a case are all of the very highest calibre." Chambers and Partners 2022

"She is one of the go-to KCs for matters involving injuries and compensation." Chambers and Partners 2022

"She has an excellent manner with clients. She takes a commercial approach to litigation and represents clients forthrightly when required." Chambers and Partners 2021

"Nina does great work. She's building an impressive reputation in the [sports law] field." Chambers and Partners 2021

"A commercially-minded practitioner whose knowledge of catastrophic injury is second to none. A firm negotiator but with a pragmatic side that makes her a firm favourite with clients." The Legal 500 2021

"Hugely hard-working, inspires confidence and an absolute authority on all things negligence. She gives direct, commercial advice." The Legal 500 2021

"Her clear-eyed compassionate approach masks a steely determination to achieve the best results." The Legal 500 2020

"She gives direct, commercial advice." The Legal 500 2020

"She is knowledgeable, commercially focused and sharp...First rate on motorsport injury cases...she is our go-to counsel in such claims." Chambers and Partners 2020

Memberships

- Personal Injury Bar Association (PIBA)
- Professional Negligence Bar Association (PIBA)
- London Common Law and Commercial Bar Association (LCLCBA)

Qualifications

Education

- MA, Jurisprudence. Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford University
- Post Graduate Diploma in Sports Law, Kings College, London

Scholarships, Prizes and Industry Recognition

- Shortlisted for The Legal 500 Sport Silk of the Year Award in 2022 and 2023
- Shortlisted for Chambers & Partners Personal Injury/Clinical Negligence Junior of the Year Award in 2016
- Lady Margaret Hall Essay Prize in Law
- Lady Margaret Hall Parker Scholarship
- Sheelagh Griffiths Award in Law
- Harmsworth Scholar of Middle Temple

Appointments

- Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (MCIArb)
- Specialist Arbitrator, Sport Resolutions UK
- Editorial Board (UK and Ireland), LawinSport
- Advocacy Trainer, Middle Temple
- Director of the Bar Mutual Indemnity Fund Limited 2014-2020

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