



Susan Rodway KC

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Susan has a wealth of experience across a wide spectrum of civil and commercial litigation, domestic and international arbitration, in particular sports arbitration, and mediation. She is renowned for her advocacy skills, particularly in cross examining experts in specialist scientific, medical and sports arenas. She has been instructed in numerous leading cases arising out of clinical negligence, catastrophic injuries, group litigation, professional negligence including accountants and solicitors, sports law and domestic and international sports arbitration, in particular arising out of motorsports, cycling or equine competition including anti-doping issues. Susan is currently the sole Leading Counsel acting for all Claimants in the concussion litigation arising out of the contact sports of rugby union, rugby league and football. In addition Susan has significant experience in issues of safeguarding in sport and in particular allegations of historic sexual abuse. She has acted in complex claims of historic sexual abuse related to schools and other institutions as well as in the sporting arena.

Areas of expertise

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Clinical Negligence

Personal Injury (including Abuse)

Sports Law

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Despite her grounding in litigation and her fearsome reputation as an advocate, Susan has always been interested in alternative dispute resolution (ADR). She was involved at the outset in initiatives within the NHS to find methods of dealing with patient complaints without resort to litigation and qualified as an accredited mediator over 13 years ago. She acted as vice chairman of the NHS Tribunals, which decided complaints against general practitioners and pharmacists. She frequently resolves her own cases by ADR and is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, the London Court of International Arbitration as

well the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators, enabling her to act or sit as an international arbitrator.

Susan is appointed as a legal arbitrator to Sports Resolution.

Recommendations

- *"A dynamic and fearsome advocate who is very bright. She is down to earth, approachable and works extremely hard."* "She gets straight to the heart of a case and has a very caring approach. She is a really effective advocate." Chambers and Partners, Personal Injury, 2022
- *"She wholeheartedly embraces her clients' cases and then fights them every inch of the way."* "She is a very experienced, well-known and respected silk." "A formidable opponent." Chambers and Partner, Clinical Negligence, 2022
- *"A great advocate – definitely someone you want on your side."* The Legal 500, Personal Injury, 2022
- *"Susan is fearless. She is a fantastic advocate and will go the extra mile."* The Legal 500, Clinical Negligence, 2022

Memberships

- Personal Injury Bar Association
- Professional Negligence Bar Association
- Court of Protection Bar Association
- Inter Pacific Bar Association

Qualifications

Education

- King's College, London
- City University

Additional information

Appointments

- Master of the Bench of Middle Temple (2009)
- Arbitrator appointed to Sports Resolution (2021)

Languages

- French (fluent)
- Italian (conversational)
- Spanish (conversational)
- German (conversational)

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