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Edmund's practice focusses on catastrophic injury and insurance related litigation. Edmund's principal practice areas are clinical negligence and personal injury; product liability; property damage claims and insurance coverage disputes.

Edmund accepts work on behalf of both claimants and defendants.

Areas of expertise

Personal Injury

Clinical Negligence

Product Liability

Insurance and Reinsurance

Product Liability

Edmund undertakes product liability work. He has particular experience in relation to motorised products, medical/pharmaceutical products and consumer retail products. Edmund is sensitive to clients' need to carefully manage their brand and reputation alongside litigation.

Cases of note:

- ***Lott & Others v PSA Automobiles SA & Others*** - Instructed as junior to William Norris QC. Acting for Peugeot and Citroen in respect of group litigation arising out of 'dieseldate' scandal. Allegations that vehicles fitted with devices which reduced effectiveness of emissions control systems.
- ***Macdonald v A well known retailer*** - Instructed as sole counsel. Claim brought pursuant to the Consumer Protection Act. Allegation of defective footwear. Successfully defended claim to trial, where claimant discontinued and agreed to pay costs in the face of allegations of fundamental dishonesty in respect of lies surrounding photographic evidence deployed as part of the claim.
- ***DTMS v A well known manufacturer*** - Instructed as sole counsel. Allegation of negligent design of mechanised equipment causing failure in the braking system which led to an industrial accident.
- ***IJP v A well known manufacturer*** - Instructed as sole counsel. Allegation of negligent design of vehicle braking system. Claimant alleges catastrophic injuries caused by vehicle roll away after handbrake engaged.

Memberships

- Personal Injury Bar Association
- Professional Negligence Bar Association

Qualifications

Education

- University College London, LLM
- Inns of Court School of Law, BVC
- University of Warwick, LLB

Scholarships and prizes

- Scholarship from the Middle Temple for the Bar Vocational Course

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