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Chambers and Partners 2024

"Emma is outstanding. Her analytical skills and ability to dissect complex areas of medicine set her out from her peers." The Legal 500 2024

Emma is an experienced and confident advocate who appears regularly in court as well as at joint settlement meetings (JSMS) and mediations.

Emma is a member of the Personal Injuries Bar Association Executive Committee, an Advocacy Trainer for Inner Temple, a co-author of a chapter on product liability in the medical context for Lewis and Buchan: Clinical Negligence and is a specialist contributor to the clinical negligence chapter of Bullen, Leake and Jacob's Precedents of Pleadings. Emma is a member of Chambers' Pupillage Committee and is a pupil supervisor.

Emma's areas of practice include:

- Clinical negligence
- Abuse
- Personal injury

Emma's preference is for electronic instructions and paperless working.

Areas of expertise

Clinical Negligence

Abuse

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Emma has developed a specialism in sexual abuse claims. She usually acts for defendants, including employers and organisations. Emma regularly deals with issues of limitation, vicarious liability and quantum in these cases.

Cases of note:

- **AA v BB** - Advised a defendant in respect of a claim that they had knowingly had unprotected sex whilst carrying a serious sexually transmitted condition.
- **DKA v a premiership football club** - Acted for the defendant football club in respect of a claim for damages for historic sexual abuse.
- **GKT v a schools association** - Emma acted for the defendant association in respect of a claim for damages for historic sexual abuse.
- **IICSA v** - Emma acted, led, for an ex-social services officer who was called to give evidence to the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse about processes and knowledge in his department 30 years ago.
- **ODN v AB** - Emma acted for the defendant in a claim where the defendant's (now adult) child accused him of historic sex abuse.
- **PJS v a school** - Emma acted for a school in respect of allegations that one of the teachers sexually abused a pupil in the late 1970s/early 1980s.

Recommendations

"Emma is an excellent personal injury lawyer. Comprehensive knowledge of the law allied with a keen eye for detail, oft-needed objectivity and clarity of thinking with a very approachable manner makes for a formidable combination." Chambers and Partners 2024

"Emma is a responsive and knowledgeable barrister, and is very good in court." Chambers and Partners 2024

"She is thoroughly dedicated and very smart. She is happy to think outside the box." Chambers and Partners 2024

"Emma is an excellent advocate and extremely approachable." Chambers and Partners 2024

"She is able to handle difficult situations with ease and shows a flexible and intuitive approach to cases." Chambers and Partners 2024

"She's very good on paper, very good with clients, very good in round tables or mediations and has a nice manner about her." Chambers and Partners 2024

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"Emma is a real pleasure to work with. She is particularly good with experts. She provides really helpful, commercial advice and makes the complex seem simple." Chambers and Partners 2023

"Emma is an outstanding advocate who can think quickly on her feet and is tenacious when it comes to fighting for her clients." The Legal 500 2023

"An outstanding barrister with a sharp legal mind." The Legal 500 2020

"Confident, tenacious, knowledgeable ..." The Legal 500 2020

"Superb advocate." The Legal 500 2020

"A skilled advocate who handles difficult conferences well, ensuring clients are at ease and fully understand the case." The Legal 500 2021

"Her pleadings are incisive and reflect careful thought about the issues in the case." The Legal 500 2021

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Memberships

- Personal Injuries Bar Association Executive Committee
- Advocacy Trainer and scholarship interviewer for Inner Temple

Qualifications

Education

- BVC (Outstanding), BBP Law School
- GDL (Commendation), BPP Law School
- MA Chinese Law, Politics and Mandarin (Distinction), SOAS
- BA (Hons) Drama, Loughborough University

Scholarships and prizes

- Inner Temple Philip Teichman Award and Inner Temple Exhibitioner

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