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Michael practises across the full range of chambers' civil liability and commercial work with a particular interest in cases where fraud is alleged or suspected.

He undertakes work in insurance fraud, personal injury, clinical negligence, commercial and financial services, sports law, costs, and regulatory and disciplinary matters. He represents claimants and defendants in trials, joint settlement meetings (JSMs) and all interim hearings. He has a substantial paperwork practice.

He regularly acts as sole counsel in significant brain and spinal cord injury cases with a value pleaded in excess of £1m, as well as being led in higher value cases.

He has substantial experience of working as part of a larger team on high-profile and sensitive investigations, particularly involving financial institutions, and is currently instructed in a complex banking investigation.

Michael graduated with first class honours in Law, and the prize for the top student pursuing a career at the Bar. He was previously employed by a leading city boutique law firm in the business crime and commercial litigation departments. He also spent time working on policy development for a human rights non-governmental organisation (NGO), campaigning for fairer justice systems.

Areas of expertise

- **Clinical Negligence**
- Personal Injury
- -- Employers' Liability
- -- Insurance Fraud
- -- Occupiers' Liability
- -- Property Damage
- -- Public Liability
- -- Road Traffic
- -- Sport Injury and Negligence

Banking and Financial Services **Commercial Contracts** Costs Litigation **Data Protection** Misuse of Private Information Regulatory and Disciplinary

Data Protection

Michael frequently advises large private and public bodies regarding their data protection obligations. He has particular experience in advising heathcare providers with regard to their obligations in respect of sensitive personal data.

He is currently instructed in respect of a number of claims brought against NHS trusts for the misuse of personal data.

Recommendations

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Memberships

- Personal Injuries Bar Association (PIBA)
- Association of Regulatory & Disciplinary Lawyers (ARDL)
- LawInSport

Oualifications

Education

- 2013: BPTC, Kaplan Law School Very Competent
- 2012: LLB Law, University of Exeter First Class Honours

Scholarships and Prizes

- Advocacy Scholarship, Kaplan Law School
- Winner, Inner Temple Intervarsity Moot Competition
- Paul Heim Prize for top finalist going to the Bar, University of Exeter
- Dean's Commendation for finals results, University of Exeter

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