

## Anna Symington

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### AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, Fraud, Inquests, Insurance, Costs & Litigation Funding

Anna specialises in high value personal injury claims. Chambers & Partners 2024 say "Anna is superb, a great advocate with a no-nonsense approach."

Anna acts in claims involving serious personal injury, with particular emphasis on claims with complex medical causation issues. Her practice focuses on:

- all forms of pain syndromes, including chronic pain syndrome, complex regional pain syndrome, fibromyalgia and somatoform disorders;
- fatalities;
- serious spinal damage;
- brain injury cases, including those characterised as subtle in nature and FND claims;
- complex orthopaedic and amputation cases;
- psychiatric conditions

Anna deals with liability disputes in all forms of RTA, EL and PL claims. She is currently instructed in a number of high value RTA claims with multiple accident reconstruction experts.

Her caseload is heavily weighted towards acting for Insurers, but she is also regularly instructed on behalf of Claimants. Anna frequently appears unled against KCs.

Anna lives in the West Country but her practice is nationwide.

### Inquests

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Anna has experience of a broad range of inquests. She regularly appears in Article 2 inquests and those inquests with and without a jury. She recently acted in an inquest where the other IPs were represented by King's Counsel.

Examples of cases include:

- Representing the Probation Service in an inquest following the drug related death of an individual in a hostel
- Representing the Prison service in (amongst others) numerous self inflicted deaths where there were issues

over prevention and the adequacy of the care (and medical care) provided. These included the death of an individual on a 24 hour 'suicide watch'

- Representing the family following the death of a farm hand who was run over by a faulty tractor (and where the Jury returned unlawful killing)
- Representing Insurers in inquests following road traffic accidents
- Representing care homes in inquests following falls and also where there were issues over the adequacy of medical treatment provided
- Representing a university in an inquest following a student falling out of a window
- Representing the MoD following the death of a serviceman on a Naval base
- Representing the family in an inquest concerning the death of an Engineer who fell from an unguarded edge whilst carrying out an inspection