

Corinne Novell

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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, International & Travel, Clinical Negligence, Industrial Disease, Inquests, Credit Hire, Insurance

Corinne frequently advocates in court in personal injury, road traffic accidents, credit hire, negligence, travel, breach of contract and both employers' and occupiers' liability claims. Corinne also has a growing paperwork practice across these areas and she is interested in all core areas of Chambers' expertise.

Personal Injury

Corinne regularly appears or advises in claims involving road traffic accidents, claims pursued via the CICA, occupier's liability and Highways Act claims. She appears in court several times a week on such matters and has a strong paperwork practice across the breadth of personal injury; she drafts statements of case and advises on prospects of success, liability and quantum.

Corinne has successfully acted (for both Claimants and Defendants) in claims involving allegations of fundamental dishonesty and secures adverse costs orders against unsuccessful parties.

International & Travel

Corinne has been instructed both for and against the major tour operators in claims relating to breach of contract for cancellation or postponement of holidays, tours and cruises. She is regularly instructed in matters arising from illness and injury abroad, brought under the Package Travel Regulations, as well as in foreign road traffic accidents and claims where the applicable law under Rome II is not English law.

Corinne has also acted in claims related to flight cancellation and delay cases, including having recently represented the successful respondents in *Lipton v BA Cityflyer Ltd* [2024] UKSC 24, a claim concerning compensation under EC Regulation 261/2004 following a pilot's illness.

Clinical Negligence

Corinne is interested in all areas of clinical negligence and has a growing practice in this field.

Recently, Corinne has been instructed to advise and plead in relation to claims arising out of delayed diagnosis of fistulae, failure to administer aspirin following a first stroke, lung damage caused by failure to timeously refer and scarring suffered following negligently performed aesthetic treatments.

Industrial Disease

Corinne has experience in noise-induced hearing loss claims, having been instructed in a claim arising from factory work over an extended period. Corinne is keen to build her disease practice.

Inquests

Corinne accepts instructions to represent parties at inquests, including on a pro bono basis and is eager to develop her practice in this area. She has been involved in numerous inquests and pre-inquest review hearings, including those involving allegations of clinical negligence, industrial disease and personal injury; in particular within clinical and care home settings.

RTAs & Credit Hire

Corinne is frequently instructed in claims for vehicle damage and credit hire charges. She is well-versed with the relevant authorities and regularly has success for both Claimants and Defendants. In particular, she is excellent at disproving impecuniosity, winning on arguments relating to intervention offers and getting claims dismissed on the basis of causation arguments.

Insurance

Corinne is familiar with claims arising out of property and construction damage, including those in respect of defective workmanship and flood damage. She is also experienced in actions relating to whether indemnity is extended to a Claimant or an insured, including claims involving the validity of exclusion clauses and the duty of fair presentation.

Qualifications & Awards

- BTC (Distinction), BPP University 2021-22
- LLM (First Class), University of Cambridge 2020-21
- LLB (First Class Honours), Durham University 2017-20

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- Droop Scholarship (Lincoln's Inn)
 - Career Commitment Scholarship (BPP University)
 - Advocacy Excellence Scholarship (BPP University)
 - de Hart prize in Law (Christ's College)
 - Graduate Scholarship (Christ's College)
 - George Spyrou LLM Scholarship (Christ's College)
 - Herbert Smith Freehills Best overall performance in first year prize (Durham Law School)
 - Hogan Lovells Tort Law prize (Durham Law School)
 - Clyde & Co Employment Law prize (Durham Law School)
 - Lord Justice McFarlane Family Law prize (Durham Law School)
 - Exhibition awards (Durham Law School)

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- Second place, Lincoln's Inn Louis Gluckstein Advocacy competition (2022)
 - National Champion, BPP Advocate of the Year Mock Trial (2020)
 - Winner, Northumbria IV Moot (2019)
 - Winner, Palatinate Shield Moot (2019)
 - Winner, Durham European Law Institute (DELI) Moot (2019)
 - Winner, Durham University Bar Society (DUBS) Moot (2019)