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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Clinical Negligence, Group Litigation, International & Travel, Aviation, Abuse, Personal Injury, Industrial Disease, Inquests

Corinne specialises in clinical negligence, cross-border and abuse claims. She has a particular interest in group litigation and is currently being led in multiple high-profile and complex mass tort group actions.

She is ranked as both a Leading Junior in Group Litigation and a Rising Star in Clinical Negligence in the Legal 500.

Clinical Negligence

Corinne is an experienced clinical negligence junior. She is recognised in the Legal 500 as a Rising Star in this field. She is routinely instructed, led and unled, in fatal and living claims. She is comfortable dealing with multi-party claims and non-NHSR Defendants.

Recently, Corinne has been instructed to act or advise in claims relating to:

- Birth injuries.
- Sepsis.
- Delayed diagnoses, including claims arising from cancers and fistulae.
- Spinal cord injuries.
- Strokes.
- Surgical errors.
- Pressure sores.

Group Litigation

Corinne is recognised in the Legal 500 as a Leading Junior in Group Litigation. She has acted in numerous group tortious claims and is familiar with the complexities of litigating on behalf of groups numbering in the 100s and 1000s. She is experienced with cases involving GLOs, common case management and those brought under common claim forms.

She has been instructed in group actions brought for product liability, toxic torts, nuisance, personal injury, sexual abuse and military injuries.

Cross-Border & Aviation

Corinne has extensive experience of cases with an international element. She routinely acts in claims brought under the Package Travel Regulations and both the Montreal and Athens Conventions. Her work in this area also involves questions of jurisdiction and claims where the applicable law under Rome II is not English law. She acts both for and against the major carriers and tour operators in claims relating to breach of contract for cancellation or postponement of

holidays, tours and cruises.

She appeared for the successful respondents, led by Michael Rawlinson KC and Max Archer in the Supreme Court in *Lipton v BA Cityflyer Ltd* [2024] UKSC 24, an important case on the UK's legal order post-Brexit and Regulation 261.

She has also been invited to speak on cross-border issues at international conferences, including those organised by the Pan-European Organisation of Personal Injury Lawyers.

Abuse

Corinne represents individuals bringing civil claims for psychiatric injury arising from abuse, including sexual abuse, bullying and harassment.

Her recent instructions include those brought against the MoD, the police and various employers for abuse and harassment occurring in the workplace.

Personal Injury

Corinne's practice encompasses advisory work, drafting and advocacy in a broad range of personal injury cases, in both the High Court and the County Courts. She is well-versed in claims relating to employers' liability, occupiers' liability and highways claims.

She acts for Claimants and Defendants and is comfortable dealing with high value catastrophic or fatal claims, either as a junior or part of a wider team.

Industrial Disease

Corinne acts in claims arising out of asbestos exposure, noise-induced hearing loss and cold injuries caused during military service.

Inquests

Corinne accepts instructions to represent parties at inquests. 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.

Directories

Corinne is a pleasure to work with. She is consistently professional, friendly, and highly approachable, making collaboration both efficient and enjoyable. Her attentiveness and reliability give me complete confidence, and she is always willing to assist promptly and thoughtfully whenever needed. – Legal 500, 2027

Qualifications & Awards

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

- 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)

Appointments & Memberships

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