

# Eleanor Duckenfield

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## AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, Credit Hire, Clinical Negligence, Industrial Disease, Costs & Litigation Funding

Eleanor joined chambers in October 2022 following successful completion of her pupillage. She advocates in court numerous times a week in trials, interim hearings, CCMCs and applications. In addition, Eleanor is frequently instructed on paperwork matters.

Eleanor accepts instructions in all areas of personal injury, credit hire, clinical negligence, industrial disease, costs and fraud. She is also keen to accept instructions in inquests. In addition, Eleanor is an experienced courtroom advocate in Disposal hearings, Stage 3 hearings and Infant Approvals.

Eleanor is clerked by Lily Baker ([baker@12kbw.co.uk](mailto:baker@12kbw.co.uk)).

Under her supervisors, Rachit Buch, Charles Robertshaw and Isaac Hogarth, she obtained experience in personal injury, clinical negligence, inquests, and industrial disease, with a particular focus on mesothelioma and noise-induced hearing loss claims.

Eleanor studied Anthropology at Durham University (with a particular interest in Forensic Anthropology). Following her degree, Eleanor achieved a Distinction in both the GDL and LLM in Bar Practice. Eleanor won a prize for receiving the highest mark in Ethics in her BPTC cohort and 91% in her Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence module.

Following several successes in mooting competitions, Eleanor volunteered at the University of Law's Legal Advice Centre where she represented litigants in person in hearings and offered assistance throughout the litigation process.

Prior to pupillage, Eleanor gained experience working abroad in Austria and Spain, before returning to the UK to work in the pharmaceutical industry throughout Covid, whilst simultaneously completing both her delayed Bar exams and a Medical Counter Assistance course.

## Credit Hire

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Eleanor has considerable experience in credit hire cases, appearing in Court numerous times each week. She is well-versed in the relevant authorities and familiar with the key issues of enforceability, need, period, rate and impecuniosity.

She is formidable in her approach and regularly has success for Defendants in this area, particularly in disproving impecuniosity, reducing period, reducing the claim to zero under *Hussain v EUI* and successfully arguing for intervention rates under *Copley v Lawn*.