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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Abuse, Personal Injury, Clinical Negligence, Fraud, Sport, Military Claims, Credit Hire, Public Authority Liability, Costs & Litigation Funding

Megan specialises in claims for psychiatric injury arising from abuse, personal injury more widely and clinical negligence. She is happy to consider instructions on a CFA or publicly funded basis where appropriate.

Megan's abuse practice sees her regularly advising on limitation, liability, causation and quantum in six figure claims for psychiatric injuries and consequential losses. She appreciates the sensitivities involved with this work and always reflects that in her approach. In recent months she has worked on claims arising from abuse within the military, in healthcare settings, in the workplace and at home. She is instructed in claims involving both adult and child survivors and both institution and abuser-in-person defendants.

Megan's wider personal injury practice includes claims arising from road traffic accidents, highways claims, public liability claims and employer's liability claims. Her court practice informs her approach to her written and advisory work in this area, including on allegations of fraud where appropriate. She also advises on tactical and procedural issues including offers and costs. She recently completed a short secondment with a defendant insurer city law firm.

In her clinical negligence practice Megan works on a wide variety of cases. Recent subjects include ophthalmic treatment, negligent management of medication leading to hospitalisation, failure to obtain informed consent and delayed diagnoses. She is particularly keen to build her practice in women's health and apply her experience in traumatic and sensitive cases to this area.

Megan is also instructed to assist leading counsel in high value claims and group actions. She has assisted in an amputation and brain injury claim which settled for millions and a group action arising from gender-based discrimination sexual harassment in the workplace, contrary to workers' human rights.

She has been praised by her instructing solicitors for her communicative and thorough approach to case preparation in both her court work and paper practice.

Megan is a member of the Government's Junior Juniors Scheme and of the Metropolitan Police Panel of Counsel. She regularly contributes to chambers' various blogs and has been published by AvMA, Law in Sport and LexisPSL.

Before joining chambers Megan worked as a paralegal in a London law firm's clinical negligence department. She therefore appreciates the importance of working closely with solicitors to achieve the best results for commercial and lay clients.

Abuse

See above.

Personal injury

See above.

Clinical negligence

See above.

Fraud

Megan is frequently instructed to advise on fundamental dishonesty before trial and raise fundamental dishonesty at trial. She is experienced in cross-examining and making submissions on fundamental dishonesty, both as the primary and secondary case on behalf of the defendant. In several of her cases the claims have been discontinued after cross examination but before judgment.

Sports

Megan is a member of chambers' sports law group and sits on the Steering Committee. Whilst she cannot pretend to be much of an athlete herself, she is keen to develop her sports law practice by transferring her expertise in general personal injury and abuse work. She has previously advised claimants with amateur sporting injuries in gymnastics and football and was recently involved in the rugby dementia litigation.

Military

Megan's military work to date includes noise induced hearing loss and claims arising from abuse in the army and in the cadets. She is keen to expand her military practice to include PTSD in a non-abuse context.

Credit hire

Megan regularly deals with the full range of mitigation issues that arise in relation to credit hire. She is commercially aware and advises on settlement options where appropriate. She has had credit hire claims dismissed in their entirety and beaten Part 36 offers at trial.

Costs & Litigation Funding

Megan regularly advises on tactics and makes submissions on costs in fixed and non-fixed costs regimes where QOCS, Part 36 and/or conduct issues arise. She is also experienced in CCMC budgeting exercises.