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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, International & Travel, Industrial Disease, Fraud, Military Claims, Credit Hire, Costs & Litigation Funding

Peter is an experienced courtroom advocate, appearing on a daily basis in trials, interim hearings and applications on behalf of both claimants and defendants. He is also known for his robust and thorough pleadings and provides detailed and tailored advice in writing or in conference on all aspects of claims which fall within his various areas of specialism.

Peter accepts instructions in all of chambers' practice areas but has developed particular expertise in claims arising from road traffic accidents, credit hire, public liability and highways claims, employers' liability and workplace accidents, international and cross-border litigation, military claims and industrial disease.

Peter is regularly instructed to act on behalf of claimants and defendants and is prepared to consider accepting instructions on a CFA basis where appropriate. Peter is happy to attend court in London and further afield, in person or remotely.

Before coming to the Bar, Peter worked in the International Injury department of a well-known specialist injury firm, dealing with catastrophic injuries sustained abroad or involving international elements. This has given Peter additional insight into cross-border litigation and catastrophic injury claims as well as the demands of running a busy caseload within a firm of solicitors, which enables Peter to give meaningful and practical advice on complex claims.

Peter has a postgraduate degree in European Law from the University of Rennes, France and has professional working proficiency in French as well as basic proficiency in German.

Away from Chambers, Peter enjoys classical singing, having previously worked as a cathedral musician, and currently directs an amateur chamber choir. His sporting career, which has included competing at various levels in hockey, mixed netball, shooting and chess, is more noted for its variety than its finesse.

Personal Injury

Peter's comprehensive understanding of serious personal injury and clinical negligence claims extends to those involving chronic pain or somatoform disorders, spinal injuries, brain injuries and amputations. He also has experience of dealing with claims involving allegations of fundamental dishonesty and fraud.

Peter is regularly instructed to appear or advise in claims involving road traffic accidents, employers' liability / workplace accidents, public / occupiers' liability and Highways Act claims.

Recent instructions have included claims involving a fall from height, accidents on construction sites and a serious road traffic accident involving a traumatic brain injury with a risk of epilepsy.

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