

## Peter Hale

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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.

### Costs & Litigation Funding

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Costs work is an inherent part of Peter's busy court practice, and he is well-versed in matters such as costs budgeting, CCMCs, budget variation, summary assessments and interim applications.

Peter has also advised on applications for non-party costs orders and enforcement of cost orders.

Recent cases include defending an application for pre-allocation costs in the fixed costs regime, securing a wasted costs 'show cause' order against solicitors in a personal injury claim and obtaining an order for payment of costs by a former personal injury claimant who had breached the terms of his solicitors' CFA.