

# Steven Snowden KC

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## AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Personal Injury, Industrial Disease, Sport, Clinical Negligence, Inquests, Insurance, Group Litigation, Public Inquiries

Steven Snowden KC is Head of Chambers at 12KBW. He is recognised in the independent legal directories as one of the leading barristers in the country for personal injury work, being ranked in Band 1 in both the Chambers & Partners and the L500 guides.

Steven is an extremely experienced advocate who regularly deals with substantial and complex cases in Court and in settlement meetings. His main area of practice is high-value, complex or sensitive personal injury work, in which he acts for Claimants and for Defendants. His current caseload includes the liability and quantum aspects of head injuries, paraplegic and other serious spinal injury cases, amputations, psychiatric injuries and fatal claims.

In industrial disease work he deals with mesothelioma and other asbestos claims, and other occupational illness claims involving difficult issues of liability, causation or quantum.

His practice also encompasses associated clinical negligence and professional negligence work, insurance, sports, group litigation and public inquiries.

He was the elected Chair (2020 – 2022) of the Personal Injuries Bar Association, a member of the Bar Council (2020 – 2022), a Director of BMIF (2022 – 2024) and has for many years been one of the authors of the Judicial College Guidelines for the Assessment of General Damages in Personal Injury Cases.

## Personal Injury

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Steven is recognised as a leading silk in the Chambers & Partners Guide (Band 1) and in the Legal 500 (Tier 1).

He maintains a claimant / defendant balance in his work, being instructed on behalf of all the major insurance companies but also by most major claimant solicitor firms. He works on his own or with a junior in the full range of personal injury work on liability and quantum, including:

- Maximum severity quantum claims (fatal accidents, brain, spinal, amputation and other catastrophic injuries) with issues including periodical payments, statutory funding, reverse indemnities, pension loss, accommodation claims, prosthetics, assistive technology, etc. He regularly handles cases worth £10m+.
- Road traffic accident claims involving technical expert reconstruction evidence.
- The full range of public liability and employers' liability claims, including occupiers' liability, Animals Act claims and those relating to workplace accidents, defective work equipment, etc. He often deals with issues of contribution among defendants and is familiar with substantial contracts and provisions within them for contractual indemnities.
- Sports injuries (currently acting for one of the defendants in the football concussion group litigation).
- Psychiatric injury claims including functional neurological disorders, functional cognitive disorders and

somatoform disorders.

- Chronic or complex pain conditions including fibromyalgia and ME.
- Cases involving allegations of fraud, exaggeration or fundamental dishonesty.