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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.

Clinical Negligence

Steven is experienced in clinical negligence cases and dealt extensively with expert evidence in the Infected Blood Public Inquiry. Examples of his work include:

- Liability and quantum aspects of catastrophic birth injury (cerebral palsy) claims.
- Acting for EL insurers pursuing contribution in a high-value personal injury claim for hospital's allegedly negligent treatment of claimant following eye injury at work, which led to loss of the eye.
- Failure to spot a lumbar disc injury shortly after a road traffic accident against a background of ankylosing spondylosis.