

Daniel Edwards

Barrister

Overview

Dan has specialised in all aspects of personal injury and clinical negligence work for over 18 years. His nationwide practice is equally spread between Claimants and Defendants and includes the areas below.

He is listed as a Tier 1 Leading Junior in the Legal 500 (2014) for Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence. He is ranked in Chambers UK Bar 2015 as a leading junior. He is an Associate Editor of Charlesworth & Percy on Negligence, 13th Edition.

Employers' liability

Dan has a wealth of experience in such cases including complex issues concerning the limits of statutory duties, joinder, contribution, jurisdiction and insurance issues. He is routinely instructed in cases involving British Coal, British Steel (Tata), and the Emergency Services. He is also well versed in the sensitive issues surrounding stress / bullying claims. He was successful recently in the Court of Appeal, overturning a first instance decision concerning the extent of a School's liability. See *Hammersley-Gonsalves (a child by his litigation friend T Gonsalves) v Redcar & Cleveland BC* [2012] EWCA Civ 1135.

Claims of maximum severity

Dan regularly acts in brain injury, catastrophic spinal injury and amputation cases. He is able to provide practical advice from the very outset of a claim, through to conclusion, whether at a JSM / Mediation or in the Higher Courts. He regularly appears before the CICA.

Clinical Negligence

Dan has considerable experience in clinical negligence cases and has acted both for Claimants and Medical Defence Organisations. He has dealt with claims of significant misdiagnosis in a variety of areas including the failure to diagnose cancer and the consequences of the misdiagnosis of cancer. He has also dealt with numerous cases of dental negligence.

Occupational Disease (including limitation)

Dan is regularly instructed in all types of occupational disease cases such as HAVS, WRULD, deafness and dust diseases.

Civil Fraud

Dan has extensive experience in all areas of Civil Fraud primarily (but not exclusively) in relation to Road Traffic Accidents. He is highly experienced nationwide in cases involving alleged staged and induced accidents, Low Velocity Impact, bogus passengers and phantom witnesses, and exaggerated personal injury and damage.



Year Of Call:

1993

Practice Areas

[Court of Protection and Mental Health](#)

[Motor Insurance Fraud](#)

[Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence](#)

[Regulatory](#)

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Regulatory and Licensing

Dan has a substantial regulatory and disciplinary practice and further deals with all aspects of licensing (appearing on behalf of the Trade and local Councils). He has particular experience of applications concerning pubs / clubs, gaming centres / casinos, and all forms of taxi licensing. Dan attends at Inquests, the CICA and is regularly involved in cases involving the MIB.

Direct Access:

Dan is qualified to accept instructions direct from clients under the Bar Council's Public Access Scheme. Members of the public who seek specialist advice can come direct to him. Dan further welcomes instructions from in-house law departments and clients licensed by the Bar Council to give instructions direct to barristers under the Bar Council's Licensed Access Scheme.

Lectures/Seminars:

Dan has recently lectured in the following topics:

- MIB
- Contributory Negligence
- Causation in Clinical Negligence
- Periodic Payments
- Workplace Regulations - strict liability/reasonable practicability
- Ogden 6 - analysing future loss of earnings
- Fatal Accidents

Notable Cases

Willock and others v Corus UK Ltd [2013] : EWCA Civ 519 (Steel Plant, overhead crane drivers.

Proper construction of PUWER, particularly Reg 17 and ergonomic issues arising)

Hammersley-Gonsalves (a child by his litigation friend T Gonsalves) *v Redcar & Cleveland BC* [2012] EWCA Civ 1135 :

Overturing first instance decision concerning the extent of a School's liability for injuries sustained by pupil in their care.

Vance-Daniel v Corus UK Ltd [2010] : EWCA Civ 274 (HAVS, limits of exposure, true construction of BS6842:1987)

Directory
Recommendations:



"He possesses a very sharp mind."

LEGAL 500 2015



"He's very thorough, very responsive to queries and deals with papers very quickly. He is very organised and has a nice manner with clients."

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"He is very approachable, very amendable and very good on his feet in court."

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Craggy v Chief Constable of Cleveland Police [2009] : EWCA Civ 1128
(Police and Fire vehicles, both responding to emergency calls. Respective duties and burdens)

Arriva Trains Northern Ltd v David Eaglen [2008] :
EWCA Civ 352 (Construction of PUWER, Regulation 5, expert witnesses)

In Addition Dan Has Been Involved In Numerous First Instance Decisions Involving Claims For Damages Well In Excess Of £1m.

Appointments:

Dan was appointed as a Recorder (Civil) in 2008. He is a Pupil Supervisor

**Professional
Qualifications**

Hardwicke Scholar,
Lincolns Inn

Sunley Scholar, Lincolns Inn

Diploma in Law
(City University)

BA (Hons) (Ebor)

Merchant Taylors'
School, Liverpool
