

BRIAN McCLUGGAGE



YEAR OF CALL

1995, Middle Temple

DEGREE & EDUCATION

MA (Hons) Law, Cambridge University
LLM, University of Toronto

Middle Temple Fox Scholar

ASSOCIATIONS

Personal Injury Bar Association
British Insurance Lawyers Association
Employment Lawyers Association

"...one of the best juniors in Manchester"

Legal 500 2012

"Absolutely superb"

Chambers & Partners 2012

"Brian McCluggage joins the rankings on the strength of praise for his 'steady hands on the tiller' in large PI cases. He also handles insurance and fraud cases."

Chambers & Partners 2012

"9 St John Street's Brian McCluggage handles high-value catastrophic claims and is one of the 'best juniors in Manchester'."

Legal 500 2011

"Brilliant with clients and experts in conference, and always shows sound judgement."

Legal 500 2011

"Brian McCluggage offers 'consistently excellent service' and impresses all who encounter him. He is particularly expert on industrial disease and fraud claims."

Chambers & Partners 2009



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APPOINTMENTS

Fee-paid Employment Judge (2010)
Junior Counsel to the Crown – Provincial
("Treasury Counsel") (2002 to date)

PROFILE

Mr. McCluggage's personal injury practice comprises substantial multi-track work, most of which is worth six figures plus. As a former pupil to Tim Horlock QC, Mr. McCluggage enjoyed a sound grounding in high value personal injury law early in his career. He enjoys instructions from both leading claimant and defendant firms in personal injury work.

Mr. McCluggage enjoys the distinction of being rated in Chambers & Partners as a notable practitioner in both the Employment Law and Personal Injury sections. There is great advantage to an advocate, and ultimately the client, in terms of breath of perspective in having ability and experience in more than one area of litigation.

He seeks to incorporate 5 particular principles within his work:

1. Advocacy which is both robust and persuasive;
2. High quality paperwork;
3. Team-work with those instructing;
4. Careful advance preparation of strategies and evidence for trial;
5. Full use of information technology within practice.

He enjoys dealing with issues of law and is regularly instructed to advise on technical matters, particularly in relation to RTA and MIB points. His insurance law practice (see specialist CV) complements this aspect of his work.

General areas of particular expertise include:

- Malingering cases and matters involving conditions where credibility issues often feature, such as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, Chronic Regional Pain Syndrome, and Fibromyalgia.
- Fatal Accidents Act cases.
- Industrial Disease, particularly asbestos related conditions, deafness and hand-arm vibration syndrome.
- Catastrophic injury, with points arising such as Periodical Payments, housing and accommodation claims and care regimes.
- Insurance and technical issues within personal injury work, including MIB and RTA points, together with general insurance law on domestic, motor and commercial policies.

