Kirsty McKinlay

YEAR OF CALL 2001

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AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Inquests & Public Inquiries, Clinical Negligence, Travel & International Personal Injury Law, Insurance Fraud, Personal Injury



Clinical Negligence CV

Kirsty has been undertaking clinical negligence work for the last 12 years of her practice and is now Head of the Clinical Negligence team. She has extensive experience in dealing with all manner of cases and is frequently involved at a very early stage including attending inquests and drafting the letter of claim.

Kirsty is adept at dealing sensitively with clients in difficult situations and being able to explain complex issues in simple terms. She is particularly noted for her meticulous written work, detailed preparation and attention to detail. She is also well known for her ability to address complex issues incisively with experts in conference and at trial.

Kirsty endeavours to combine a professional attitude with a friendly and approachable style and is known for providing firm and clear advice.

Kirsty has experience in a huge variety of clinical negligence cases including:

- injuries resulting in very serious injury or death including catastrophic brain injury;
- negligent prescribing in both adults and children;
- specialist ophthalmic cases including injuries sustained during ophthalmic surgery;
- failures to diagnose ectopic pregnancies resulting in fertility problems;
- various complications arising out of post operative bleeding;
- cases relating to patients suffering from dementia;
- deep vein thrombosis cases including resulting in virtual loss of use of a limb;
- failure to provide mental health services;
- injuries arising out of cosmetic surgery;
- injuries arising out of delays in treatment caused by pressure sores;
- negligent cosmetic surgery;
- inquests on behalf of families in cases concerning clinical negligence including those where an Article 2 wider investigation is required.

Quotes

Personal Injury: Kirsty is a very impressive, first-class advocate and she uses her expertise and extensive knowledge to get to the issues quickly and achieve brilliant results for clients. She has a reassuring and approachable manner."

- Legal 500 2024

Clinical Negligence: "Kirsty has great attention to detail, is always on hand if the need arises, and is a real team player." - Legal 500 2024

Personal Injury: "Kirsty has a wealth of experience in defending fraud cases. She is a calm and reassuring support in the most challenging of cases, and an intelligent, approachable, straightforward and impressive advocate. She is an absolute pleasure to work alongside and has achieved exceptional results for clients."

- Legal 500 2023

Clinical Negligence:

"Kirsty has a friendly and approachable style which is appreciated by the client and the instructing solicitor. She is thorough in her assessment of the papers, providing firm and clear advice. She works well with experts in conference and manages confidently to resolve any ambiguities within their reports."

- Legal 500 2023

Clinical Negligence - Tier 1

"The attention to detail which she displays is exceptional. This is combined with a very friendly approach which is very much appreciated by Solicitors and Clients alike."

- Legal 500 2021

Personal Injury - Tier 3

"She is very confident in conference and in addressing medical experts. She secures a good grasp of the case and issues in hand and manages to address these in a productive way. Her draft documents are very detailed."

- Legal 500 2021

Personal Injury: Leading Junior Band 2

"Astute, practical, and thorough when providing advice."

- Legal 500 2020

Clinical Negligence: Leading Junior Band 1

"Provides very thorough and sound advice."

- Legal 500 2020

Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence - ranked Tier 1

"Very approachable, proactive, thorough and focused."

- Legal 500 2019

'A skilful cross-examiner.'

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- Legal 500, 2017

"She has excellent communication skills and is able to uncover the truth"

- Legal 500, 2017