# Julie-Anne Luck

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### **AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

Inquests & Public Inquiries, Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence Mediators, Clinical Negligence, Personal Injury



## Inquests & Public Inquiries CV

Julie-Anne is proud to be a member of the 9SJS Inquest team. She provides representation and advice touching upon all aspects of the coronial process, and is registered as part of the Bar Council's Direct Access scheme.

As Julie-Anne also undertakes clinical negligence work, she can provide comprehensive advice and representation where the death arises from medical care or treatment.

Examples of recent, significant work include:

#### Johnson v Walsall Healthcare NHS Trust 2020

Julie-Anne represented the parents of a deceased baby in inquest proceedings, and in the associated clinical negligence claim. She attended both the pre-inquest review hearing and represented the family at the 4 day Article 2 inquest.

Julie-Anne made submissions that failures on the part of the NHS Trust were 'gross' and that the failures caused or contributed to the baby's death. The Coroner accepted these submissions and found that the baby's death was caused by the Trust's "Neglect".

See https://www.judiciary.uk/publications/zachary-johnson/

When interviewed by the press, the clients specifically thanked Julie-Anne 'for her tremendous support to us'. See: <a href="https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/mum-hopes-lessons-learned-after-21530931">https://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/mum-hopes-lessons-learned-after-21530931</a>

Also see further press coverage at:

https://www.expressandstar.com/news/local-hubs/walsall/2020/02/07/gross-failure-led-to-babys-death-coroner-rules/

#### **Inquest via Direct Access Instruction (2018)**

Julie-Anne represented the family at an inquest following the tragic death of a young man (Naseeb) in very sensitive circumstances. Interested parties included his local GP, and the University that he attended. The latter being questioned as to the quality of counselling and mentoring offered to Naseeb.

The family were pleased that the inquest led to the Coroner issuing a Regulation 28 report to the Financial Conduct Authority, requesting action to address concerns over the conduct of payday loan companies and the inadequacy of financial checks.

See:

https://www.judiciary.uk/?s=naseeb+chuhan https://www.judiciary.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Naseeb-Chuhan-2018-0099\_Redacted.pdf

Following the inquest Naseeb's parents offered this kind endorsement of Julie-Anne, and encouraged her to publicise it:

"We want to thank you for all your hard work and thoughtful guidance in relation to our son Naseeb's inquest. We both especially value the meticulous care you took over analysing a lot of complex material to obtain a full understanding of the underlying issues. We also value your clear professional judgement in steering the case through numerous hurdles in a calm and thoughtful manner."

"Throughout the harrowing inquest process we felt supported by your clear, reliable communication with ourselves and during the darkest times your appropriate encouragement. You are a very skilled, knowledgeable, hard working and sensitive barrister. Thank you for enabling us to unravel some of what happened to our beloved son in the last few months of his life and to challenge the wrongdoings he experienced". - Balwant Kaur and Kuljit Chuhan

#### Inquest touching MF-R (2019 / 2020)

Julie-Anne represented the family of a much-loved daughter and sister at the inquest hearing, following her death in hospital. The case carried some complexity, such that the Coroner required written submissions on whether the death was caused or contributed to by the method of administration of a drug called Ondansetron. Ondansetron is an anti-sickness medicine which carries specific instruction as to the manner and period of time over which the drug must be administered.

During Julie-Anne's questioning, it came to light that the relevant Trust, who were an interested party, had given incorrect information to the Pathologist, which caused him to change his opinion in oral evidence.

### **Quotes**

**Personal Injury: Band 3**"Julie-Anne has great attention to detail."Julie-Anne had an excellent response and gave a very good outcome, her level of service excellent.""Her written advices and the advice in conference show full preparation in advance and a grasp of the issues at stake."

- Chambers and Partners 2024

**Personal Injury:** Julie-Anne produces excellent written pleadings, is good with clients, and will always fight your corner. She is always thorough and well-prepared, has great attention to detail, and is an excellent advocate."

- Legal 500 2024

#### **Clinical Negligence:**

- "Julie-Anne will get to the heart of the relevant issues quickly and come up with a plan to deal with them. Her written advice and pleadings are excellent."
- Legal 500 2024

**Personal Injury - Northern (Bar):** "She offers a fantastic level of service and has a wide range of knowledge." "Julie-Anne Luck is very friendly and easy to deal with." "She has a good forensic approach to cases."

**Personal Injury:** "Julie-Anne always prepares very thoroughly. She pays great attention to detail. She is an excellent advocate. She has a lovely manner and can put all witnesses at ease. She always goes the extra mile to ensure the best possible chances of success."

- Legal 500 2023

#### Clinical Negligence:

"Her previous career as a solicitor provides her with an extra insight into the challenges faced by those instructing her. She is smart, friendly and gets the job done."

- Legal 500 2023

**Personal Injury:** "Easy to engage with; communicates well; thorough and good attention to detail; great on paperwork as well as advocacy."

- Legal 500 2022

Personal Injury: Leading Junior "Gives cogent advice and is excellent on the technical issues."

- Legal 500 2020

Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence - ranked Tier 1 "She pursues her cases with courage, tenacity and vigour."

- Legal 500 2019

"Clear-thinking and empathetic."

- Chambers and Partners 2018

"Great both on paper and in court."

- Chambers and Partners 2018

"An impressive junior who previously practised for over 10 years as a solicitor. She has a growing reputation for her personal injury work, which includes significant employers liability and high-value traumatic injury cases. She is also an accredited mediator."

- Chambers and Partners 2017

"She offers a very proactive, thorough and personable service and is always on hand to assist despite being extremely busy. Her analytical skills and keen eye for detail helps her to quickly get to grips with the main issues in a case and she is reassuring in her practical approach."

- Chambers and Partners 2017

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'Her approach to cases is careful and detailed.'

- Legal 500, 2017