



Simon Dyer QC

Year of Silk/Call: 2017/1987

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PRACTICE AREAS

Clinical Negligence | Personal Injury

HIGHLIGHTS

"Charming and puts clients at ease", is "renowned for his attention to detail and extensive knowledge of the case law and issues relating to clinical negligence", is "a strong advocate who is good on his feet " and is "incredibly experienced and astute". **Chambers and Partners 2018**. "An excellent advocate" and "a standout for substantial cases due to his enormous depth of knowledge." **The Legal 500 2017**

OVERVIEW

Simon Dyer QC studied law at the University of Kent. He was called to the bar in 1987. He took silk 2017. He has specialised in personal injury claims since 1990. He has specialised in clinical negligence claims since 2000. He acts mostly for claimants and is instructed largely by specialist clinical negligence and personal injury firms. Simon has had a very busy year in 2017. He has been instructed in many high value cases. He conducts hearings, consultations and roundtable meetings, as well as drafting complex pleadings, including large schedules and written advice. He is regarded highly by solicitors from recognised firms.

He is currently recommended in Chambers and Partners 2018 for both clinical negligence and personal injury.

Chambers and Partners 2017 said Simon Dyer "is highly skilled on the full range of medical law, and has a particular focus on cases involving complex cerebral palsy and spinal injuries." "Hugely experienced barrister who is excellent with clients." "Focuses on personal injury and clinical negligence for claimants who have suffered catastrophic injuries. His disarming style in joint settlement meetings and negotiations elicits praise from clients, and he is regularly instructed in multimillion-pound claims." "He puts clients at ease and is a phenomenal performer on his feet." "A go-to guy for high-value claims."

Chambers and Partners 2016 said ""He has excellent technical skills, coupled with a superb manner with clients."

Chambers and Partners 2015 said "Renowned for his knowledge of spinal injury, obstetrics and cerebral palsy cases". "His advocacy style is subtle, courteous and very effective; he is nimble but sure-footed when put in tight corners. He is very engaging and persuasive in settlement meetings." "Practical and objective in his advice. He has a very good style when dealing with clients and opponents."

Chambers and Partners 2014 said that Simon is "An in-demand junior with over 25 years' experience at the Bar, who has an ever increasing focus on representing claimants in substantial clinical negligence cases. He frequently

acts as sole counsel against silks in challenging cases concerning child cerebral palsy and delayed diagnosis of cancer". "He has good attention to detail and is a tenacious negotiator, as well as being approachable and down to earth with clients." "He's a pleasure to work with. He has excellent technical skills, coupled with a superb manner with clients."

Simon is also recommended in the Legal 500 2017 in both the clinical negligence and personal injury categories . He is described as "An extremely good advocate and a quick thinker."

AWARDS

Appointed QC

REFERENCES

Previous directory entries include:

"Simon Dyer has an excellent reputation for his deft handling of complex birth injury claims"

"Dyer wins the full backing of the market"

Simon "is noted for his 'practical and authoritative approach' to cases as well as his 'excellent negotiation and client skills.'

"Simon "is thorough and precise with a very good manner with clients".

"A very able and engaging junior who connects very well with his clients. He fully contributes to the matter in hand and condenses complex arguments into simple language, so that clients feel they have understood their case" .

"Sources also praise Simon Dyer for his meticulous approach and his ability to condense bundles of papers into small, manageable and easily comprehended documents.

"Simon Dyer is "an able negotiator and clear advocate".

APPOINTMENTS AND MEMBERSHIPS

Silk

PIBA

PNBA

PUBLICATIONS AND TRAINING

Invited Speaker at PIBA 2017 annual conference

Invited Speaker AvMA Best Practice in Quantum Conference 22nd November 2016

Invited Chairman and speaker at the AvMA's Cerebral Palsy and Brain Injury Cases conference on 11th February 2015

Qualified Mediator

Chapter Contributor (Causation) to Clinical Negligence: A Practical Guide (7th Edition) by Charles Lewis and Andrew Buchan 2012.

LNTV invited speaker on cosmetic surgery litigation Programme 5479 2009

Cloisters Annual Lecture : Spinal Injuries October 2009

Invited Speaker "Causation in Cancer Cases" at AVMA's Oncology Conference 4th December 2008.

Chair of the AVMA Essential Medicine in Obstetrics & Gynaecology Conference February 2007.

Invited speaker to the Welsh Assembly Government's Healthy Workforce Conference 29th September 2005.

Keynote speaker at the Welsh Assembly Government's Healthy Workforce Conference September 2004.

Speaker at the AVMA Oncology and Clinical Negligence Conference 29th March 2004 on Provisional Damages and Periodical Payments in Cancer Cases

Author of "Gross Negligence Manslaughter" an article in Clinical Risk January 2004

Author of article in Clinical Risk May 2002 entitled "Claims for Psychiatric Injury Caused by Hospital Misinformation".

QUALIFICATIONS

BA Hons (Law) Kent University

HIGHLIGHT CASES

Kamal v Guys and St Thomas' NHS Trust [2017] EWHC (Master Roberts)

Thornburn v South Warwickshire NHS Trust [2017] EWHC 1791 (QB) (HHJ Pearce)

Hearne v The Royal Marsden [2016] EWHC 117 (HHJ Taylor) (QB)

Sellar-Elliott v Howling [2016] EWHC 443 (QB) (Sweeney J) [2016] PIQR P13.

ABC v Kettering Hospitals NHS Trust [2015] (Davies J) QB

Tresidder v Royal Cornwall Hospital Trust [2015] EWHC 1262 (HHJ Taylor) (QB)

Glasgow v Hillingdon Hospitals [2014] (Master Roberts) QB

Smith v Bailey [2014] (Master Yoxall) QB 29/4/14

Parsons v Abertawe Bro Morgannwg [2014] (HHJ Seys-Llewellyn QC) QB
28/4/14

Khudados v Hayden [Court of Appeal] [2008] C.P. Rep 12

NUM v UK Coal PLC [2008] IRLR 4

Hickman v Blake Laphorn [2006] PNLR 20

Hartman v South Essex Mental Health and Community Care NHS Trust (Moore
v Welwyn Components Ltd) [Court Of Appeal] [2005] PIQR 255

Millward v Oxfordshire County Council [2004] EWHC 445 (QB)

Waugh v Newham Borough Council [2002] EWHC 802 (QB) [2003] 1 QR 6

Farrell v Southmead Health Authority [2001] Lloyd's Rep Med 458