

Invitation to an evening seminar
5th February 2015
Serious personal injury update
~ Best practice and litigation tactics

Robert Glancy QC
Stephen Killalea QC
Robert Weir QC
Peter Edwards
Stephen Cottrell
Robert Hunter

"... The set has barristers who are prepared to fight really difficult cases... All the Devereux people we work with are committed to getting the best possible result for clients and they bring with them a wealth of experience."

Leading Set, Personal Injury
Chambers UK, 2015

Why attend?

Three leading QCs and three well-regarded senior juniors, all experts in this field, offer their in-depth insights in the specialist areas listed below. Our speakers will discuss latest developments, practical experience and how the Courts have dealt with cases in recent times on:

- **Traumatic brain injury cases** by Robert Glancy QC and Peter Edwards.
- **Medical contingencies and recent cases** by Rob Weir QC and Stephen Cottrell.
- **Schedules of loss in catastrophic injury cases** by Steve Killalea QC and Rob Hunter.

Who should attend?

The seminar is targeted at solicitors specialising in serious and catastrophic personal injury work. The seminar is offered at no cost but spaces are limited.

Practicalities

Date 5th February 2015

4.00 pm Registration – Coffee/Tea

4.30 pm Start of the seminar, questions and answers

6.00 pm Further discussion over drinks

Venue: The Palace Hotel, Whitworth Suite, Oxford Street, Manchester M60 7HA

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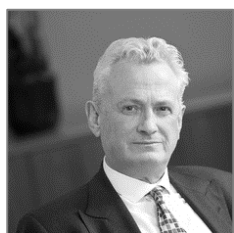
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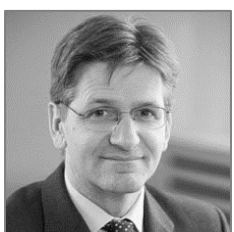
Your speakers



Robert Glancy QC focuses exclusively on PI; clinical and professional negligence. In practice for over 40 years, he has extensive experience in acting for claimants who have suffered catastrophic brain and spinal injury and regularly successfully settles claims winning millions of pounds of compensation for injured people and their families. He is a CEDR accredited mediator and has considerable experience of mediation and ADR. *"His knowledge of the law is superb and he is particularly good at advocacy in the Court of Appeal."* *"He is modest and very cool under pressure."* - *Personal Injury, Chambers UK 2015.*



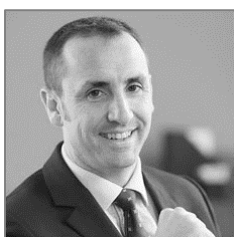
Stephen Killalea QC has a leading silk's practice with one of the most substantial catastrophic injury practices in the country. He acts for claimants with significant brain and spinal injuries both nationally and internationally. He is frequently instructed in high-value cases where a need for delicate and sensitive handling of the claimant, and family, with a substantial number of cases involving brain damaged children. *Legal 500 2014* described as *"an exceptional advocate and tactician," "very experienced" and "combines being a true leader with being a real team player."*



Rob Weir QC's practice focuses on PI and clinical negligence and is regularly involved in catastrophic injury cases, involving brain and spinal injuries. He specialises in claims with a foreign element. Rob won Personal Injury & Clinical Negligence 'Silk of the Year' at the 2013 Chambers UK Bar Awards and was shortlisted by Legal 500 as 'Silk of the Year' in 2014 for the same category. *"He has had some absolutely fantastic results recently with novel cases. He is always trying to look at new angles to cases and come up with ingenious new arguments."* *"He is really razor-sharp in his analysis, cuts to the chase and doesn't pontificate."* - *PI, Chambers UK 2015.*



Peter Edwards practises in the areas of PI and employment and is in an excellent position to take full advantage of the increasing overlap between these two areas of law, for example the cross-examination of medical experts, production of detailed Schedules and the use of the statutory definition of "disability" in the Ogden Tables A to D. *"He is energetic, hard-working and adept at marshalling huge amounts of information very quickly. He is also a very engaging guy who can make quite boring things lift off the page, so that a lay person, judge or client can see how they work."* - *Chambers UK 2015.*



Stephen Cottrell's practice consists predominantly of high-value PI litigation, fatal accidents, clinical negligence, costs and human rights with extensive expertise in catastrophic injury work, complex multi-trauma claims, spinal injuries, head injuries and chronic pain cases. Clients often appoint him when exaggeration or fraud is suspected. He can fall back on his vast trial experience in all. In addition, Stephen has accumulated extensive experience in coroners' inquests, all aspects of the law of costs and credit hire disputes and appears in the Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority.



Rob Hunter's practice has three major strands: PI work in cases of serious injury or fatality; instructions as junior counsel in catastrophic injury claims and clinical negligence claims at all levels. He has experience of the full spectrum of serious injuries, especially brain, spinal, obstetric and orthopaedic injuries of the utmost severity (including amputation). *"His opinions are really thorough and detailed, and he thinks about all the issues, not just the ones you have identified for him to consider."* *"He is also very good with clients, works really hard, and is very thorough and well prepared."* - *PI, Chambers UK 2015.*

How we can assist

Devereux is recognised as one of the leading personal injury sets in the country. We are consistently listed in the top personal injury sets by both Chambers UK and Legal 500 and our individual barristers are often nominated for awards. The PI group includes three QCs covering all aspects of personal injury work at the highest level and a strong team of juniors providing a complete service in multi-track and fast-track trials in courts up and down the country.

Solicitors come to us for our significant expertise in dealing with all types of accident and disease cases: from the simplest traumas to the most complex catastrophic injuries. Our members are regularly instructed to appear on novel and difficult cases raising new points of law.

Besides offering our recognised specialist advice, we take great care in providing a personal and sensitive approach to clients and their families. In addition the advice and representation we provide is clear, practical and candid.

We have considerable expertise in settling cases at joint settlement meetings and in mediation but first and foremost we are advocates with recognised excellence in trial advocacy on both liability and quantum issues.

Last but not least, our members are backed up by a well-organised and client-focused support team which should make your overall Devereux experience an efficient one.

“Noted for its focus on high-value catastrophic work and for its bench strength, Devereux is regarded by many as a standout set within the Personal Injury Bar. Its members are experienced across the full range of complex, severe personal injury claims and are frequently involved in significant, high-profile actions.”

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