

Laura Gooding

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Clerks' Details

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Memberships

- Northern Circuit
- Personal Injury Bar Association
- Lincoln's Inn

Appointments

- Deputy District Judge (2019)

Education

- Bury Grammar School (1982 - 1996)
- BA Philosophy & Theology, Mansfield College, University of Oxford (1999)
- CPE Law, City University (2000)
- Bar Vocational Course, Inns of Court School of Law (2001)

Clinical Negligence CV

Overview

Laura specialises in personal injury and clinical negligence cases, and practises exclusively in the Multi-Track. She is an experienced Junior and has a busy practice representing Claimants.

Laura has particular experience in the following areas: -

- Catastrophic Injury including brain injury.
- P.T.S.D.
- Military Claims
- Road Traffic Claims
- Employer's Liability
- Clinical Negligence
- Criminal Injuries

She has been consistently recommended by the Legal 500 and most recently as a Tier 1 leading junior in the field of Personal Injury who is *“extremely approachable and able to provide advice which is easily digestible and clear. She has a good awareness of commerciality of claims when advising”*.

Laura is an extremely effective trial advocate, skilled in cross-examination of both factual and expert witnesses. She is adept at combining a robust approach in Court and in negotiation with a sensitive and empathetic manner towards her own clients. Laura is known for her meticulous preparation and detailed analysis of complex cases.

Laura has extensive experience in dealing with complex and high value Military cases including Armed Forces Compensation Appeals. Her practice includes cases involving catastrophic injuries, spine injuries, brain injuries, post-traumatic stress disorder, harassment and bullying.

She has substantial experience in Road Traffic Litigation, Employer's Liability and Public Liability Claims and undertakes cases mainly where the value exceeds £100,000.

Laura has a keen interest in clinical negligence and is instructed in cases including surgical negligence, misdiagnosis, delayed diagnosis and failure to obtain informed consent.

Recommendations

'Laura is a very measured and persuasive advocate. She relates well to clients and can really wring the best out of any case. She has a niche and unusual specialty in claims under the Armed Forces Compensation Scheme.'

The Legal 500 2023

"Laura is extremely approachable and able to provide advice which is easily digestible and clear. She has a good awareness of commerciality of claims when advising."

The Legal 500 2022

"Laura provides an approachable and prompt service with clear, understandable advice. She is engaging and happy to discuss matters at convenience."

The Legal 500 2021

"Friendly, approachable and responsive counsel."

The Legal 500 2020

"She has niche expertise in military personal injury claims."

The Legal 500 2018/19

Beyond The Bar

Away from work, Laura enjoys outdoor pursuits such as running, walking, skiing and climbing.

Laura ran the Liverpool Marathon raising funds for charity in 2011 and successfully climbed Mount Kilimanjaro, Tanzania 2009.

Since her undergraduate studies Laura has retained a keen interest in animal ethics and has been appointed as a Fellow of the Oxford University Animal Ethics Society.