

Simon Ross

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Clerks' Details

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Memberships

- North Eastern Circuit
- Personal Injury Bar Association
- Professional Negligence Bar Association

Appointments

- Junior Counsel to the Crown (Regional Panel A) (2020)
- Deputy District Judge (2010)

Education

- LLB (Hons), University of Reading (Class 2(i) – June 1997)
- Post Graduate Diploma in Law - Inns of Court School of Law
- Qualified Lawyers Transfer Test 2000
- Admitted as a Solicitor of England and Wales - 2000

Credit Hire CV

Overview

Simon has accumulated a wealth of experience over nearly two decades of representing both claimants and defendants across the country in claims for credit hire.

He is routinely instructed in multi-track value claims for credit hire losses or in cases which involve allegations of fraud and/or particularly tricky points of law and procedure.

By way of examples of recent work, Simon has been instructed in a number of claims in which the amount of hire charges has exceeded £100,000. He has also been instructed in appeals concerning the following issues: allocation, profit earning chattels, enforceability and the correct procedure for dealing with non-English speaking witnesses.

Simon receives regular repeat Instructions from national firms of solicitors, CHOs and Insurers. He has previously provided bespoke in-house training on all manner of issues that arise in credit hire cases and with respect to the practical aspects of running or defending such claims. In 2018, Simon acted as judge and chaired two consecutive days of mock trials held in-house for the benefit of a leading insurer. In 2019, he was Judge for a mock trial event held by a claimant firm. He was also an invited guest speaker at an insurance credit hire forum where he spoke about issues concerning Basic Hire Rates evidence and Intervention Letters.

Simon has been a Deputy District Judge since 2010.

Recommendations

Ranked Band 3 for Personal Injury - North Eastern
Chambers and Partners (2023)

‘Simon is always very focused on the key issues in a case. He is always very well prepared, and he presents complex facts and evidence to the client and court in easy, digestible formats.’

The Legal 500 (2023)

“Simon is an accomplished advocate who provides straightforward, clear advice. He is also very personable, and good at establishing client rapport.”

The Legal 500 (2022)

“Strengths are the ability to provide straightforward clear advice along with a no-nonsense approach that invariably sits well with clients. Rather than adopting a broad-brush approach attention to detail at all stages of the claim and strong desire to help clients get the best possible results sits well with my own approach.”

Legal 500 (2021)

“Acts for both claimants and defendants in complex and high-value personal injury matters. He is particularly well regarded for his handling of occupation injury claims.”

Chambers & Partners (2021)

“Everything that a personal injury barrister ought to be.”

Legal 500 (2020)

“He has an incredibly measured approach and a meticulous preparation process whereby you are assured that he has reviewed the whole case in detail. He instils confidence with his approach.”

Chambers & Partners (2020)

“Very experienced in Industrial Disease Claims.”

Legal 500 (2019)

Beyond the Bar

Simon is married with two young children. Away from work, and when not engaged in family pursuits, he tries to keep fit and particularly enjoys running. He continues to strive to improve upon his best time for completing a 10km race; his current PB is 47.11 minutes.