

Ayesha Smart

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Clerks' Details

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Appointments

Recorder on the North East Circuit in Crime

Screening Committee Chair of the British Psychoanalytical Council

CPS General Crime Panel – Grade 3
CPS Serious Crime Panel – Grade 3
CPS RASSO Panel

Memberships

North Eastern Circuit
Gray's Inn
Criminal Bar Association
UK Centre for Animal Law

Education

LLM in Medical Law and Ethics -
University of Edinburgh
LLB (hons) - BPP University
BSc (hons) in Medical Science -
University of Leeds

Healthcare Regulatory CV

Ayesha has a wide knowledge of personal injury claims, regularly acting for both Claimants and Defendants in multi-track trials, fast track trials, disposal hearings, CCMCs, interlocutory hearings stage 3 hearings and small claims. She regularly appears in the County Court and the High Court.

Ayesha also provides advice on liability, quantum, Part 36 offer and drafts pleadings and schedules of loss in a timely manner.

Ayesha's prior career within the NHS and training in medical science has provided her with heightened insight when it comes to personal injury, industrial disease and clinical negligence matters. Ayesha has a strong working knowledge in anatomy, physiology and pathology. She is also proficient in peripheral specialities such as microbiology, pharmacology, genetics, chemotherapy and virology.

Accordingly, Ayesha has a particular expertise in:

- Fatal accidents
- Catastrophic injuries
- Clinical negligence
- Inquests

Publications

Barrister Magazine – “Have we really reformed animal welfare post-Brexit?” [2023]

Animal Equality UK – “The Enforcement Solution” Report [2023]

BBC Panorama – “The true cost of milk” [2022]

Recommendations

‘A well-respected junior. She is meticulous and a cogent advocate, with an analytical approach.’ The Legal 500 – **Leading Junior, Crime 2024**

Ayesha is confident and has a steadfast approach to court advocacy, with fierce determination and tenacity exhibited in equal measure. She remains unflappable in even the most difficult cases. - **The Legal 500, Leading Junior, Crime 2023**

Beyond the Bar

Ayesha is an avid skier and snowboarder. She has two Northern Inuits that she enjoys walking across the Dales. Ayesha also has a keen interest in music and plays the piano, trumpet, saxophone and bass guitar.