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Krishma is an established practitioner whose work covers personal injury, clinical negligence, family, landlord and tenant and social housing.

She has significant advocacy experience and has appeared in a range of Courts, from the Magistrates Court to the High Court. Krishma is popular amongst professional and lay clients and is known for her approachable manner, thorough preparation and robust advice.

Krishma is also a qualified New York Attorney (admitted April 2019).

Outside of the Bar, Krishma has interests in interior design, travel and cooking. She also enjoys travelling around the world to see wildlife in its natural habitat.

Personal Injury & Clinical Negligence Law

Krishma is regularly instructed to appear in fast track and multi-track matters in personal injury cases, often involving issues of low velocity impact/fundamental dishonesty. She is experienced in matters involving road traffic accidents, employer's liability, and public liability and is very familiar with the arguments that arise in low velocity impact/fundamental dishonesty cases from both a Claimant and Defendant perspective.

She has experience presenting and responding to general civil applications (such as applications to extend limitation/applications to strike out due to abuse of process/applications for pre action disclosure/applications to resile from admissions etc). She has provided representation at numerous costs and case management hearings and is very familiar with budgeting exercises.

Krishma also has a busy credit hire practice and is able to confidently and articulately deal with the full range of issues frequently arising in this area.

Additionally, she has represented clients in clinical negligence cases at costs and case management conferences and advised on liability and quantum. Most recently, Krishma assisted a client with a dental negligence claim, from the drafting of pleadings through to settlement.

Aside from bring in Court, Krishma has a busy paper work practice. Her practice in these areas continues to grow in respect of complexity and value.

Landlord & Tenant Law

Krishma represents residential landlords and tenants, and advises on matters involving possession, rent arrears, and disrepair. She also has experience drafting pleadings and advising on quantum in disrepair cases.

Social Housing Law

Krishma acts for social landlords (including various London Boroughs) and tenants and has experience in matters involving Environmental Protection Act prosecutions. For example, she represented a client for a statutory nuisance under the Environmental Protection Act and secured her client an excellent result which can be viewed [here](#).

She deals with injunction applications and committal hearings in the context of The Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014.

Employment Law

Krishma accepts instructions for both employers and employees in all areas of employment law. She was recently instructed on behalf of a Claimant on a complex claim involving discrimination, unpaid wages and victimisation.

Family Law

Financial Remedies

Krishma is often instructed in financial remedy proceedings. She represents clients at all stages of proceedings and her practice in this area continues to grow.

Private Children Law

Krishma is frequently instructed in private children law proceedings involving child arrangement orders for contact and residence, prohibited steps orders and cases involving issues of domestic abuse.

She also regularly appears in applications under the Family Law Act 1996 for occupation and non-molestation orders.

Family Police Disclosure Work

Krishma has experience representing different Police Forces in respect of disclosure in and out of family proceedings. She is experienced in applications for public interest immunity, having appeared in the High Court of the Family Division on a number of occasions.

She was involved in a substantial and complex Family High Court case throughout 2018, having represented the same Force throughout the proceedings in relation to disclosure.

Civil Police Work

Krishma has advised different Forces in relation to defending civil personal injury actions. In respect of this, she has provided representation at Costs and Case Management hearings, Applications for further medical evidence and Third-Party Disclosure Applications. Additionally, she has experience drafting Defences – in relation to assault, false imprisonment, malicious prosecution and misfeasance in public office.

Aside from this, Krishma has also represented different Forces in obtaining civil orders in the Magistrates Courts - including closure orders, sexual harm prevention orders and violent behaviour orders.

Inquests

Krishma has attended Pre-Inquest Review Hearings and has provided representation at a short inquest.

Immigration Law

Krishma has experience representing the Home Office at asylum appeals at the First Tier.