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Introduction

Heather joined chambers in 2017 following over 7 years' litigation experience in 2 well-known solicitors' firms in central London specialising in insurance where she was instructed in almost every conceivable type of claim that might be expected in a defendant insurance practice. Her practice included claims for personal injury (including road traffic claims and public and employers' liability matters), clinical negligence, property damage, construction, inquests, and discrimination. Heather also handled subrogated and recovery claims for clients on a regular basis. Heather regularly advised in respect of policy coverage matters and contractual issues. She handled claims ranging in value and complexity from small claims matters to those in excess of £1 million and involving multiple parties. She also has significant experience in acting for train operating companies (including dealing with matters pursuant to CAHA, the industry-specific agreement regarding the management of claims).

Heather has built on her previous experience in her practice at the Bar where she has also increased the amount of her claimant work. She has a busy common law practice and regularly appears in Fast Track and Multi Track trials and interim hearings. She appears in the County and High Courts (including the TCC) as well as Coroners Courts acting for interested persons in both coroner-only, and jury inquests.

Heather has brought to the Bar particular experience of carrying out detailed and close analyses of extensive and complex documents, and has particular interest in those claims involving catastrophic injuries and claims against local authorities regarding historic abuse, social care, and education claims.

Heather enjoys food and football. Other, non-alliterative, interests include wine, sport, and travel.

Personal Injury

Heather frequently acts for claimants and defendants in hearings and trials on both the fast and multi-tracks. She also has a busy paperwork practice, drafting statements of case and advices at all levels of litigation. In appropriate cases, Heather will accept instructions on a conditional fee basis.

Her personal injury cases span the range of matters involving road traffic accidents, claims against employers and public liability issues. She is instructed in claims ranging in value from short term soft tissue injuries to claims valued in excess of £1m, including those involving brain injuries.

Education

- MA (Oxon) Jurisprudence, Jesus College, University of Oxford: 2.i
- BVC, City University (Inns of Court School of Law): Very Competent

Other information

- Heather enjoys food and football. Other, non-alliterative, interests include wine, sport, and travel.