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Eleanor undertook pupillage at 42BR Barristers and has been a tenant since 2016. She has a broad civil practice and accepts instructions in the following areas:

Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence Law

Eleanor provides robust advocacy and advice on a range of clinical negligence and personal injury matters, including those involving children. She represents both claimants and defendants in County Court and High Court actions, and has experience working with vulnerable witnesses and interpreters.

Her wide-ranging clinical negligence practice includes:

- Delay in diagnosis claims;
- Complex cases involving children, including negligent births and psychiatric damage;
- Claims for negligent dental work; and
- Claims for orthopaedic injury, including spinal damage.

Eleanor's extensive experience in personal injury includes:

- Claims under the Fatal Accidents Act and the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act;
- Innumerable road traffic accident trials involving low-velocity impacts, multi-vehicle collisions, foreign insurance, and allegations of fraud or fundamental dishonesty;
- Claims against employers, including for industrial disease, and those against multi-national employers;
- Accidents while onboard aircraft; and
- Claims against occupiers including local authorities, leisure clubs, householders, and major retailers.





Eleanor has experience of litigation involving multiple defendants and regularly provides advice on litigation tactics and settlement. She is a member of PIBA and AVMA.

Employment Law

Eleanor undertakes a significant amount of employment law work. She is regularly instructed on multi-day trials involving:

- Complex discrimination;
- Whistleblowing;
- Breach of contract;
- Redundancy;
- Unfair dismissal, including constructive unfair dismissal;
- Unlawful deduction from wages;
- Complex remedy issues; and
- Costs awards.

She represents both claimants and respondents and undertakes work for a variety of clients, from previously unrepresented individual claimants to large, institutional respondents. Her employer client base includes banks, supermarkets, transport sector organisations, and manufacturers.

Eleanor provides straightforward and practical advice on settlement and litigation tactics, including advice in group actions and claims involving multiple respondents.

As well as extensive experience in Employment Tribunals across the country, Eleanor has experience of actions in the Employment Appeal Tribunal and currently has three ongoing EAT matters. She regularly accepts instructions in matters involving reconsideration.

Eleanor is a member of the ELA.

Inquests

Eleanor has a growing specialism in this field. She has attended inquests on behalf of a range of interested parties and is willing to do so on a pro-bono basis in appropriate circumstances. She recently presented a 1 day seminar on inquests to staff at Great Ormond Street Hospital.

