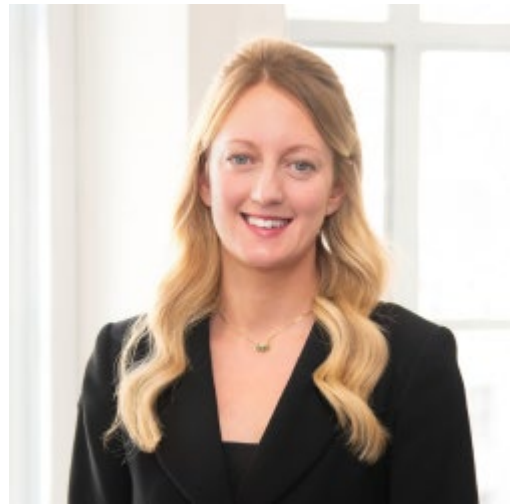


## **Dr Louisa Sherlock**

### **Clinical Negligence**



Year of Call: 2018

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Louisa is dual qualified in dentistry and law. She was called to the Bar and commenced pupillage in 2018, and commenced tenancy in 2019.

Louisa practiced as a dental surgeon for over a decade, both within the NHS and privately.

Given her professional background, Louisa accepts instructions from both Claimants and Defendants in all aspects of Clinical Negligence work, bringing her experience to bear. She can readily understand the terminology used in medical and dental records. Louisa has recently written the book, "A Practical Guide to Dental Negligence Litigation", published in April 2023. She regularly provides lectures to expert witnesses (in conjunction with Bond Solon), dental surgeons and dental nurses on relevant legal matters as part of their Continuing Professional Development, and has drafted precedents for Lexis-Nexis.

Louisa has extensive experience in matters involving expert witnesses, including holding conferences with experts, and cross-examines expert witnesses as part of their assessment with the Expert Witness Institute. She has successfully argued *Daniels v Walker* at trial.

Her experience includes the following:

- Failure to diagnose a fracture which resulted in an amputation;
- Failure to diagnose sepsis which resulted in death;
- Failure to diagnose cancer which resulted in premature death;
- Failure to properly manage labour, resulting in stillbirth;
- Negligently performed gastric surgery;
- Dental negligence (for both Claimant and Defendant).

Louisa was junior to Henry Pitchers KC in a complex brain injury case involving multiple experts.



Throughout her legal training, Louisa received numerous awards, including the Lord Denning scholarship from Lincoln's Inn.

Louisa is also qualified as an international civil-commercial mediator and can conduct mediations, both in person and online, as well as represent clients in mediations.

As a dental surgeon, Louisa was praised for her attention to detail and sensitivity when working with anxious patients. She is therefore well placed to work with clients who are understandably feeling anxious when facing the prospect of litigation. As well as treating patients, she assisted with the running of a busy NHS practice and helped staff to prepare for CQC inspections.

Louisa carried out further training with the Royal College of Surgeons of England, London, and following additional training with an internationally renowned dental surgeon, developed a private practice involving cosmetic dentistry, invisible orthodontics and facial aesthetics. She also did some work for a nation-wide facial aesthetics company.

## Awards

Lord Denning Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn

Cholmeley Studentship Pupillage Award, Lincoln's Inn

BPP Excellence Award, Leeds BPP University

Award for Outstanding Pro Bono work, Leeds BPP University

Ben Hoare Bell Award, Northumbria University

## Memberships

Denning Society, Lincoln's Inn

Joint Dental Faculties of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, London

North of England Medicolegal Society

## Qualifications

Bar Vocational Course, Leeds BPP (Very Competent) [2018]

Graduate Diploma in Law, Northumbria University (Distinction) [2016]

Diploma, Royal College of Surgeons of England, London (MJDF RCS (Eng)) [2009]

Bachelor of Dental Surgery, Newcastle University (BDS) [2006]