

Dr Neil Shastri-Hurst

Fraudulent Insurance Claims



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Neil regularly receives instructions from defendant insurers in relation to personal injury claims. These include matters involving low velocity impact, contrived accidents, phantom passengers, and exaggerated claims. He has experience in pursuing cases in which fundamental dishonesty is a live issue.

By virtue of Neil's experiences as a Trauma and Orthopaedic surgeon, he has an intricate knowledge of biomechanics and the pathophysiology of traumatic injuries. This makes him uniquely placed to dissect the medical evidence and expose inconsistencies in exaggerated or fraudulent claims.

In addition to representing clients at trial and interlocutory hearings, Neil is always happy to assist those instructing with drafting, tactical advice, and testing evidence in conference.

Recommendations

"Neil's medical knowledge adds value as a barrister, ability to give clear advice and ability to speak with the medical experts and decipher medical terms. He can gain the lay client's trust and confidence quickly. He has an excellent manner and can communicate complex medical issues in clear non-medical language."

Legal 500 Rising Star (Tier 1) Clinical Negligence

"Neil adds extra value as a barrister in this area with all his medical knowledge as a clinician. He has handled various inquests for us where his skills are invaluable."

Legal 500 2023 Rising Star (Tier 1)

Appointments

Medical Member, Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service – 2016-2022

Member, Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority's Appeals Committee

Approved Panel Chair for Disciplinary Sub-Committee Hearings of the Conservative Party

Awards

- Baron Dr ver Heyden De Lancey Prize, Middle Temple, 2018
- Certificate of Honour, Middle Temple, 2018
- Diplock Scholar, Middle Temple, 2017

Memberships

- The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple
- Personal Injury Bar Association
- General Medical Council
- Royal College of Surgeons of England
- British Medical Association
- Medical Protection Society- Birmingham Medico-Legal Society
- Fellow of the Royal Society of Public Health

Qualifications

- Bar Professional Training Course, University of Law Birmingham (2017-2018): Outstanding
- Graduate Diploma in Law, University of Law Birmingham (2016-2017): Commendation
- Diploma in Legal Medicine, Faculty of Forensic and Legal Medicine (2015)
- Postgraduate Diploma in Trauma Sciences (Military and Austere), Queen Mary University of London (2014): Distinction
- Diploma in the Medical Care of Catastrophes, Worshipful Society of Apothecaries (2012)
- Membership of the Royal College of Surgeons (2012)
- Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery, University of Nottingham (2007)
- Bachelor of Medical Sciences (Hons), University of Nottingham (2005)