

# Melanie Mills

Call: 2022



Melanie has gained experience in a wide range of personal injury and clinical negligence cases for both Claimants and Defendants. She appears regularly in Court alongside developing a busy paperwork practice.

She joined Chambers in October 2023, following the successful completion of her Pupillage.

Prior to commencing pupillage, Melanie completed her Master's project, which explored the complexities of cases involving medical harm caused by artificial intelligence and assessed the suitability of the current legal framework for meeting these potential challenges.

Outside of Court, Melanie enjoys both watching and playing football and tennis. In her spare time, she also enjoys playing the piano and drums.

## Expertise

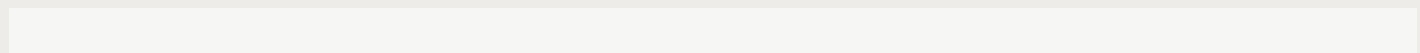
### Personal Injury

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Melanie has developed a busy Court practice. She frequently is instructed, for both Claimant and Defendants, in:

- Fast Track matters
- Small claims
- Disposal hearings
- Stage 3 hearings
- Infant approval hearings
- Interim applications
- Inquests

Melanie accepts instructions to draft pleadings and written advice on quantum and liability.



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## Credit Hire

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Melanie frequently appears in Court, acting for both Claimants and Defendants, in credit hire claims.

Her attention to detail and ability to think on her feet enable her to tackle issues such as impecuniosity, intervention and enforceability.

## Clinical Negligence

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Melanie gained a depth of experience in clinical negligence while under the supervision of Richard Grimshaw. She saw a broad range of work, and attended conferences with medical experts, in the following areas:

- Brain injury and cerebral palsy
- Delayed diagnosis
- Misdiagnosis
- Spinal Injury
- Cancer
- Surgeries and amputation

Melanie accepts instructions to advise on liability and draft pleadings, for both Claimants and Defendants, in clinical negligence matters. Most recently, she has advised on liability in matters involving delayed diagnosis and tackled complex issues of breach of duty, medical causation and material contribution.

## Inquests, Public Inquiries & Coronial Law

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Melanie practices the following areas:

### Inquests, Public Inquiries & Coronial Law (Clinical Negligence)

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Melanie has seen and assisted in multiple inquests, including a five-day death in custody inquest and an inquest involving the failure to provide lifesaving surgery. She gained experience in dealing with intricate questions regarding the state's duty to protect life pursuant to Article 2 of the European Convention of Human Rights.

Most recently, Melanie has represented families in clinical negligence inquests involving issues of mental health, capacity and orthopaedic injuries. She has gained experience in attending pre-inquest review hearings and drafting written submissions to the Coroner.

Melanie accepts instructions to represent both families and other interested parties in both clinical negligence and personal injury inquests.

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## Accreditations

- Future Leader Scholarship, BPP University [2021-22]
- BPP's Northern Universities Regional Mooting Competition, winner and highest scoring finalist [2019-20]
- Herbert Smith Freehills Warwick University Mooting Competition, winner [2019-20]

## Qualifications

- Bar Training Course, with LLM, BPP Law School – Distinction [2021-22]
- Law LLB (Hons), University of Warwick- First Class [2021]

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