

## LIAM RYAN

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Year of call  
2007



Liam Ryan has a civil practice, split between medium to high value personal injury actions, clinical negligence and commercial litigation.

He has a noted specialism in stress at work and psychiatric injury claims, where is often instructed by both Claimants and Defendants from the start, to the conclusion of claims. In his clinical negligence practice, he is sought out to act in claims with a psychiatric component. His commercial practice increasingly deals with employment relationships, data protection and costs issues. He is commercial astute and realistic in his advice, but not afraid of challenging work and conflict.

He acts for both Claimants and Defendants and is regularly instructed to advise, draft documents and to appear in both the County and High Court.

Liam is ranked by the Legal 500 (Tier 5) and Chambers UK Bar (Tier 3) as a leading junior in Personal Injury at the London Bar.

He is described as having *"an excellent knowledge and understanding of occupational stress claims"* (Legal 500 2021) an *"encyclopaedic understanding and a real passion for stress law"* (legal 500 2019) and *"Very enthusiastic and keen to run challenging and borderline cases. He builds up a rapport with his clients."* *"He has a real flair for stress at work cases and has an encyclopedic knowledge of this subject matter."* (Chambers UK Bar 2021)

He is the author of the textbook *"A Practical Guide to Psychiatric Injury in Personal Injury Claims"*.

Liam accepts instructions privately and on a Conditional Fee basis

## LEGAL EXPERTISE

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## Personal Injury

Liam has a busy personal injury practice predominantly based on the multitrack. Liam has extensive experience of advising, drafting, negotiating and appearing before both the County and High Court on behalf of both Claimants and Defendants. Liam's personal injury practice covers a wide spectrum of actions including employers' liability, public liability, product liability, fatal accidents, road traffic accidents, accidents abroad, claims made against the MIB and CICA and historic abuse claims.

Within his personal injury practice Liam has developed a particular specialism in the field of stress at work, a niche area in which he continues to develop as a specialist. His practice is predominantly Claimant focused. Liam is frequently involved in stress at work claims from an early advisory stage through to the conclusion of the litigation process providing detailed specialist advice and representation in Court at every stage of the litigation process in claims often exceeding £100,000 in value. He is experienced in dealing not only with the legal and procedural issues that arise in such cases, but also the practical ones including dealing with clients who are often still suffering from the effects of psychiatric injuries.

Liam also has a specialist practise in dealing with cases that involve psychiatric injury and pain disorders either in isolation, or in conjunction with other sites of injury. His work in this field straddles three spheres, serious personal injury, sexual abuse claims and secondary victim claims. He has a genuine passion for assisting seriously injured people through the litigation process, and strives tirelessly to achieve the best possible result for his injured clients. He is comfortable working in an advisory role, or as part of a larger team and is experienced in both trial, mediation and joint settlement meetings.

## Clinical Negligence

Liam has a varied practice in the field of clinical negligence with a focus on representing Claimants. His experience covers actions against NHS trusts, the Ambulance services, private practitioners and international disputes involving practitioners providing negligent care in foreign jurisdictions.

He has acts in a wide spectrum of cases concerning failure to diagnose spinal injuries, cancer and other conditions to the failure to perform competent surgery. He has experience of dealing with not only the immediate physical impact on a Claimant, but also the psychiatric impact of life changing events where his specialism in this area allows him to bring added value to claims.

He is often instructed in claims resulting in deformity and scarring and as a result, is experienced and aware of not only the legal complexities, and also the sensitivity needed in such cases. A growing aspect of his practice which deals with secondary victim claims for bereaved and traumatised family members and this is an area that he is keen to expand his practise in.

## Commercial

Liam has a broad commercial and chancery practice and regularly advises, drafts pleadings and appears in both the County and High Court in a variety of commercial work.

Liam has gathered particular experience of cases where injunctive relief, including springboard relief is sought often arising from the theft, or supposed theft of confidential data. He often works closely with companies who have suffered the loss, or theft of databases. As a result of this he is experienced in freezing orders, spring board injunctions and other forms of interim relief. He always strives to provide not only sound legal advice, but tactical and commercial advice that has an immediate and practical impact

## Memberships

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