

## James Osborne (2006)

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### General Information

James is a civil practitioner with experience across a wide range of areas including:

#### Costs

#### Personal Injury

#### Road Traffic Accidents

#### Credit Hire

#### Holiday Sickness Claims

#### CICA Claims

#### Employer's, Public and Occupier's Liability

#### General Commercial and Property

James is a skilled advocate known for getting to the core issues quickly and tackling them effectively and has a reputation for possessing good judgement and refined inter-personal skills as well as being both practical and analytical.

James is approachable to discuss initial problems and issues solicitors may face in dealing with claims and may be relied on to provide a fast turnaround of paperwork when required.

Before being called, James was counsel for a global FTSE 100 company undertaking multi million commercial contract negotiations. He brings a wealth of business experience to his practice, which also includes general commercial and property work.

James lives near Winchester and predominately covers courts in London and the South but his fast track and multi track practice takes him nationwide.

#### Areas of Practice:

#### Costs

James has a great deal of experience representing Claimants and Defendants at costs budgeting and costs assessments.

#### Clinical Negligence

James' clinical negligence work consists predominantly of multi track claims, and in particular cases with significant procedural or technical issues, or complex medical evidence.

#### Personal Injury / RTA

James advises and represents claimants and defendants in all areas, including allegations of fraud of Personal Injury related claims, mainly arising from road traffic accidents, employers liability and public liability. James is also a member of the Motorcycle Group tackling serious injuries (he also has a m/c licence). James also has experience in injuries arising from accidents involving HGVs and buses. James is regularly instructed for both claimant and defendant and has a thorough

understanding of credit hire.

## **Personal Injury / ELPL**

James is regularly instructed in all areas for both claimant and defendant and has a thorough understanding of the latest developments EL/PL and Occupier's Liability.

James involvement is frequently from the outset: by assessing and advising on prospects, to advising on quantum, to drafting pleadings, drafting questions, to conferences with witnesses, to round table meetings and onto trial.

James was instructed in first instance and on appeal (both successful) regarding a slip and trip/Highways claim against a London borough: *Simson v London Borough of Islington*, [2013] EWHC 2527 (QB) setting a new precedent requiring inspections to include area under objects on the highway such as parked cars and refuse bins.

## **Holiday Sickness Claims**

James advises and represents claimants and defendants in all areas, including allegations of fraud in Holiday Sickness Claims.

## **Commercial and Property**

James advises and represents claimants and defendants in property law (both commercial and residential) including landlord and tenant, property agreements, easements and restrictive covenants, mortgages, boundary disputes and leasehold enfranchisement.

With his unparalleled experience of a wide range of commercial activities, he has the necessary hands-on experience needed to resolve difficult issues, particularly using his specialist technical knowledge of broadcast and satellite communications, telecommunications and commercial contracts.

## **Public Access**

James is accredited by the Bar Council to accept instructions on a Public Access basis. For full details of James's Public Access practice, please visit his website: [www.londonbarristerdirect.com](http://www.londonbarristerdirect.com)

## **Education**

Bar Vocational Course, BPP Law School

Graduate Diploma in Law, BPP Law School

BSc (Hons) Geography, Manchester University/Granada University, Spain

Scholarships and awards: Socrates Erasmus Scholar, Manchester University

## **Feedback**

"Excellent result James-much appreciated" - Robert Barrett, Partner, Horwich Farrelly

"Just to let you know that DJ Davies sitting at Chesterfiled CC commented on the fact that he was "assisted greatly by the advice of Counsel in this matter, the advice was such that it supported the facts and he had nothing further to consider" Ann Lee, Minster Law"

"Just a quick thank you for all the assistance you have provided to me on my not so straightforward matters, together with everything else! Hope to be in touch again shortly. Kind Regards Sarah Sargent "

"Thanks for the attendance note and the great result today. John Cuss, Fee Earner, Minster Law Solicitors"

"That's excellent – thanks again for your assistance James." Matt Fogarty Judge & Priestley

"I've just got back from leave today and read your attendance note on the above. What a close call well done . I was really worried about this case and I'm so glad its over. Thanks for all your help." Abi Talabi (Solicitor) Lucas Law Limited T/A Lucas & Co Solicitors

"Many thanks again for today and a great result." Nichola Best

"Thanks James. Great result. The clients were delighted. Thank you for your assistance in this matter." Heather Forbes,  
Horwich Farrelly Solicitors

"That's a great result.Thank you for your help." Joni Southall, Minster Law

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