

Andrea Barnes (Mediator Profile)

IS A QUALIFIED MEDIATOR (**Junior Mediator**)

General Information

Qualified: Mediator (2002), Barrister (1999).

Professional – Legal

Andrea has over ten years post qualification experience as a Barrister-at-law specialising in personal injury, clinical negligence, holiday travel sickness claims, costs, general commercial and contract law. Andrea's current practice is approximately 55% claimant and 45% defendant.

Professional – Mediation

Andrea has seven years experience as an accredited Mediator and is one of the original founder mediators of the Court Based Mediation Scheme. Since accreditation Andrea has mediated a variety of disputes including equine, insurance claims, personal injury, credit hire and intellectual property. Particular mediation specialism includes general personal injury, costs, credit hire/finance, clinical negligence, motorcycle liability/causation issues, low velocity collision claims, automatism issues, catastrophic injury cases, sale of goods/supply of goods and services, product liability and general contract law.

Career

Prior to qualifying as a Barrister, Andrea undertook nine months secondment to Zurich Insurance plc giving pre-litigation case management advice on personal injury and property claims. Andrea also spent four years gaining PI defendant insurance litigation experience working in-house for Davies Arnold Cooper, in particular, on catastrophic and general personal injury claims, credit hire and credit finance issues. Andrea has also enjoyed two years experience as a Commercial negotiator for the Ministry of Defence and GEC Marconi Communications dealing with worldwide contract tenders, sales and maintenance agreements.

Personal

Andrea is a wife and a mum living in the heart of Somerset. She enjoys extreme sports and cooking.

Education

University of Greenwich, London; Inns of Court School of Law, London

Affiliations

Member of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers
Member of the Civil Mediation Council
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