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## AREAS OF EXPERTISE

#### Civil

- Civil Fraud
- Clinical Negligence
- Consumer Credit Act
- Consumer Law
- Contract Disputes
- Contracts
- Costs Litigation
- Credit Hire
- Employers' Liability
- Fatal Accident
- Fraudulent Claims
- General Common LAw
- Health & Safety
- Industrial Accident
- Industrial Disease
- Inquests
- Low impact RTA
- Occupiers' Liability
- Personal Injury
- Product Liability
- Professional Discipline & Negligence
- Public Liability
- RTA
- Spinal Injury
- Sporting Accidents
- Tripping

### Crime

- Civil Actions
- Fraud and Financial Crime
- Inquests
- · Procceds of Crime
- Regulatory Proceedings

# PROFILE OVERVIEW

### **Personal Injury**

Mr Dunne regularly receives instructions from both Claimants and Defendants in relation to all aspects of personal injury work on both the Fast Track and Multi Track including:

Road traffic accidents – particularly, credit hire claims and cases including allegations of fraud or tantamount to fraud such as low velocity impact claims, alleged staged accidents and vehicle occupancy issues. He has been involved in a large number of cases concerning alleged widespread fraud rings.

Mr Dunne has also been working with criminal practitioners in Chambers to develop new and innovative ways of dealing with cases for clients who beleive they have very strong prospects of establishing fraud in a case. In particular the way that private prosecutions can on occasions, be deployed to save time and costs and deal more effectively with large scale fraud and the recovery of costs from fraudulent parties and/or central funds.

**Employers' liability** – Mr Dunne frequently accepts instructions from both Claimants and Defendants in relation to accidents at work from slips and trips to accidents involving industrial machinery and long term exposure to harmful processes and/or substances.

Public and Occupiers' liability – Mr Dunne has a great deal of experience in dealing with public liability cases particularly those arising from defects in the public highway.

Claims against the police – particularly use of excessive force and claims arising out of the deployment of police dogs.

Fatal accidents including inquests – for example, Mr Dunne represented the driver of a coach which was involved in a head on collision with a car on the A66 in Keswick which resulted in the death of the car driver and two children. In this case he was instructed by two sets of solicitors, one





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representing the driver in respect of any potential prosecution and the other representing him in respect of any potential civil action against him. His experience in both practice areas was of great assistance in these circumstances.

Professional negligence – Mr Dunne enjoys the particular challenge of professional negligence cases, particularly clinical and veterinary negligence work. His interest in this area was deepened having attended a week-long residential Course at Oxford in 2009 at which he was given the opportunity to cross examine some of the country's foremost endochronologists and neurologists and obtain their feedback on methods of cross examination of medical experts in a clinical negligence setting. That unique experience enriched his understanding of the techniques involved in this fascinating area of practice.

Contract Disputes & Consumer Credit – Mr Dunne undertakes instructions in relation to all aspects of consumer credit work including credit hire agreements and their enforceability, enforceability of agreements generally and PPI issues. He acts for both consumers and lenders.

Crime – Whilst the bulk of his practice now revolves around civil work Mr Dunne is experienced in criminal litigation including the reported case of Regina v Michael Christopher Davies [2007] EWCA Crim 1084. He continues to practice in both the Crown and Magistrates Court upon occasion and maintains a particular interest in private prosecutions, regulatory crime and the proceeds of crime, both in terms of criminal and civil recovery. He continues to present seminars on the Proceeds of Crime Act in conjunction with other members of Chambers.