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"She is charming and personable, and knows her stuff inside out"

(Chambers UK)

Practice Overview

Lucy specialises in the areas of personal injury, travel, private international law and clinical negligence.

She is recommended in the legal directories as a leading junior in the fields of travel and personal injury. She is regularly instructed to act in catastrophic personal injury claims and has been described as "*first port of call*" for cases arising from accidents abroad.

Clinical Negligence

Experience of claims related to obstetrics and gynaecology (cord prolapse; hypoxia; Erb's palsy); general surgery; paediatrics; neurology; orthopaedics; general practice; ophthalmology; cosmetic procedures; wrongful birth; mental health.

Current and Recent Work

RT v Chelsea v Westminster (2018); suicide attempt

BM v NHS Commissioning Board (2018); spinal surgery

LT v Dorset County Hospital (2017); pressure ulcers

PK v South Warwickshire (2017); obstetric treatment

Dunn v Plymouth Hospitals (2017); fall alleged to contribute to stroke damage

Edwards v George Eliot Hospital (2016); glaucoma treatment

MB v Royal Surrey City Hospital (2016); hydrocephalus

Practice areas

Clinical Negligence
Personal Injury
Private International Law
Travel

Memberships

Personal Injury Bar Association
Bar European Group
London Common Law and Commercial Bar Association
Member of the Western Circuit

Qualifications

MA Jurisprudence
Lic Spéc Dr. Eur.

Education

Merton College, Oxford University
Brussels University: Licence Spéciale in European Law



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SC v Plymouth Hospitals NHS Trust (2016); colorectal surgery

Kneuss v Blagg [2016]; spinal decompression surgery

JKL v University College London Hospitals (2015); cancer diagnosis /treatment

RM v Great Ormond Street Hospital (2015); paediatric cancer diagnosis

Fraser v George Eliot Hospital NHS Trust (2014); bile duct injury during surgery

Dunphy v John Weiss & Son Ltd (2014); non-matching coloured lens implanted

Bevan Davies deceased v Hywel Dda Local Health Board (2014); diagnosis of sub-arachnoid haemorrhage

Ellis v Powys Local Health Board (2013); treatment of craniosynostosis

Personal Injury

All aspects of personal injury litigation, including private international law issues arising in foreign claims. Extensive experience of employer's liability claims including disease (WRULD, deafness, asthma and cancers), manual handling and workplace accidents, stress at work and bullying; occupier's liability claims; sporting accidents; catastrophic injuries and fatal claims; product liability claims; and direct claims by foreign social insurers.

Current and Recent Work

Evans v Strzelec (ongoing): claim for spinal injury after rear end collision

Johnson v British Cycling Federation (2017); claim for brain injury sustained in cycle race

T v T (2016); alleged brain injury sustained by child in rta

Mulcahy v CVS (2016); claim arising from pneumothorax after slipping accident

Dixon v Rymer-Cooper (2015); catastrophic CRPS after car ran over foot

Parkin v Aviva (2015); significant injuries from motorcycle accident

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Doughty v Pogorzelski (2015); severe traumatic brain injury to pedestrian

B v B (2015); spinal cord injury after rta in Spain

Howes-Roberts v Puddle (2014); high value loss of chance claim by City worker

Wagenaar v Ski Weekend (2014) CA; effect of QWOCS on third party claims

Purton v Vaitkevius (2014); high value loss of chance claim by executive chef

Harris v CDMR Purfleet Ltd [2009] EWCA Civ 1645; adequacy of reasons for date of knowledge in WRULD case

Private International Law

Lucy has expertise in private international law and is regularly asked to advise on issues of jurisdiction, applicable law and enforcement issues. She has particular experience of the application of the Brussels Regulation, Rome I and Rome II in cross-border cases in the fields of personal injury, clinical negligence and insurance.

Travel

Lucy is frequently instructed in cross-border claims and cases arising from accidents abroad, and to advise on issues of jurisdiction and applicable law. She is described in Chambers and Partners as being noted for her knowledge of EU legislation and applicable law and as handling catastrophic injury cases arising from road traffic accidents.

She has wide experience not only of claims under the Package Travel Regulations but also in relation to recovery claims from suppliers abroad. She is regularly instructed in substantial claims resulting from holiday incidents, including activity and accommodation accidents, winter sports accidents, illness and disease claims and road traffic accidents. She acts in claims brought against the MIB in respect of foreign road traffic accidents.

Lucy is very familiar with the issues arising in choice of law disputes, including the application of the Rome I Regulation and the Rome II Regulation and their predecessors.

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She has particular experience in jurisdiction and enforcement issues under the Brussels Regulation and otherwise, including disputes as to validity of service; contesting jurisdiction on substantive and procedural grounds; registration and enforcement disputes; and jurisdiction over non-parties.

Lucy was lead Assistant Editor for the 2nd edition of European Civil Practice (Layton & Mercer), and makes use of her fluent French and rudimentary Hungarian.

Current and Recent Work

Scales v MIB (ongoing): cycling accident in Spain

Mountain v Zyro (ongoing); sledging accident in Norway

Howes v MIB (2018); loss of arm in Cretan moped accident

Hamblett v VHV (2018); collision on motorway in Germany

Bogdanovics v MIB (ongoing); fatal motorcycle accident in Lithuania

Pratt v AXA France (2017); spinal cord injury from fall in French auberge

Palmen v MMA (2016); catastrophic injury when off-piste skiing in France

Syred v PZU and HDI [2016] EWHC 254 (QB); claims governed by Polish law involving severely injured car passengers

Huxtable and Dale v Baloise (2016); pedestrians injured by drunk driver in Bruges

Berry v Babaloukas (2016); road traffic accident involving pilgrim in Athens

Cook v Virgin Media (2015) CA; appeal concerning forum non conveniens in cases involving England and Scotland (acted for successful respondent)

Doble v Carnival plc (2015); multiple claims for alleged cruise holiday illnesses

B v B (2015); spinal cord injury claim arising from RTA in Spain

Salmon v MAAF (2015); significant claim arising from RTA in France

Greaves-Lord v AXA (2014); motorcycle accident governed by French law

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Wagenaar v Weekend Travel and Serradj (2013); CA (2014); skiing accident in France resulting in catastrophic injury. Court of Appeal decision on effect of QWOCS on third party claims

Clark v Hotelplan and Luontoloma (2014); package holiday claim arising from cross-country skiing in Lapland

Keefe v Mapfre (2014); brain injury claim arising from accident in Spanish hotel.

Recommendations

"She is calm, sensible and very reassuring." **Chambers & Partners 2018)**

"She grabs difficult cases with both hands and proves exemplary as far as assimilating knowledge is concerned."; "I find her clear and concise, and she takes a practical approach."; "She is very intelligent, grasps things very quickly and gives clear, decisive advice." **Chambers & Partners 2017**

"Noted for cases involving accidents abroad." **Legal 500 2017**

"Particularly recommended for travel litigation." **Legal 500 2016**

"She is approachable, surefooted, and gives clear advice."; "She is very thorough; there were a lot of documents to go through in our case and she did so with a fine-tooth comb." **Chambers & Partners 2016**

'She is very intelligent and knows her field very well.' **Legal 500 2015**

Is often "first port of call" for cases arising from accidents abroad.
Who's Who Legal 2015

"A lawyer with a brilliant memory, she has a winning combination of being very clever and also very pragmatic in seeing the end game and what the clients are trying to achieve." **Chambers & Partners 2015**

"She's charming and personable, and knows her stuff inside out."
Chambers & Partners 2015

"Calm under pressure, while being able to fight hard when needed."
Legal 500 2014

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