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Practice Overview

Paige is a dedicated and approachable junior barrister, who is regularly instructed to appear in the High Court and County Court. Paige's practice has a developing focus on clinical negligence, personal injury, product liability and property damage, and she has a particular interest in cases which stand at the boundary of different practice areas.

Highlights of Paige's recent work include:

- As junior counsel led by Michael de Navarro QC, advising in and successfully settling a wrongful birth case pleaded at ~£32 million;
- Representing the Respondent in a seven-day unfair dismissal and discrimination trial before the Employment Tribunal;
- Advising in a high-value property damage claim relating to an escape of water at a recently redeveloped luxury home;
- Successfully defending allegations of negligence against an NHS Vascular Surgeon at trial;
- Advising, *pro bono*, an ex-nun as to potential financial claims against her religious order; and
- Acting in a multi-million pound arbitration under the Housing Grants, Construction, and Regeneration Act 1996, in which it was successfully argued that the arbitrator lacked jurisdiction to hear the dispute.

Paige is a member of the Attorney-General's 'Junior-Junior' scheme and has been instructed on the Infected Blood Inquiry.

Paige is passionate about access to the Bar and sits on Chambers' pupillage and mooted committees, as well as regularly speaking at law fairs and student events. She is happy to answer questions from students considering the Bar as a career.

Practice areas

Clinical Negligence
Personal Injury
Property Damage
Product Liability
Private International Law
Commercial

Education

BA in Law, Emmanuel College,
Cambridge
LLM, Emmanuel College,
Cambridge
BPTC (Outstanding), BPP Holborn

Prizes and Scholarships

2018: Teaching Excellence Award,
London School of Economics
2017: Advocacy Exhibition, BPP
Holborn
2015: Lord Denning Scholarship
and Accommodation Award,
Lincoln's Inn
2014: John Hall Prize, University of
Cambridge Senior Exhibition,
Emmanuel College
2013: Rebecca Flower Squire
Scholarship, University of
Cambridge Porter Senior
Scholarship, Emmanuel College.
Sir David William Prize, Emmanuel
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Prior to joining Chambers, Paige read for undergraduate and Masters' degrees in Law at Emmanuel College, Cambridge where she received a number of scholarships and prizes. She also previously worked as a Course Tutor in Land Law and Equity and Trusts at the London School of Economics.

Clinical Negligence

Paige has a flourishing clinical negligence practice and is regularly instructed as junior Counsel alongside prominent QCs. As sole counsel, she has successfully appeared on behalf of NHSR at trial and has experience in advising, pleading and negotiating in a wide range of clinical cases. Paige has a particular interest in the complex causation issues that arise in cases such as suicide attempts by those under psychiatric care and injuries during pregnancy and childbirth.

Recent cases Paige has been involved in have raised issues of legal capacity, contribution between co-Defendants, and scope of duty. She also has considerable experience of claims relating to non-medical aesthetic treatments.

Paige's webinar on scope of duty following the Supreme Court decision in *Meadows v Khan*, presented alongside Bradley Martin QC, is available [here](#).

Personal Injury

Paige has extensive experience of advising, pleading and appearing in personal injury matters including road traffic accidents, accidents on the highway and accidents at work. Her recent cases include proceedings under the Fatal Accidents Act 1976, the Animals Act 1971 and the Occupiers' Liability Acts. She also has considerable experience of Health and Safety Regulations and cases involving fundamental dishonesty.

Paige's webinar on the Fatal Accidents Act 1976 "*Lost Lives and Lost Years*", presented with John McDonald, can be accessed [here](#).

Property Damage

Paige has a diverse property damage practice, covering damage by fire, flood and sewage. She has been involved in a string of cases relating to allegedly defective hot water cylinders and has experience in applying the doctrine of pure economic loss in complex and high value cases. Paige is also familiar with addressing questions of contribution and of insurance

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coverage within the property damage context.

Product Liability

Paige accepts instructions from both Claimants and Defendants across a broad range of product liability matters. Her previous experience includes claims involving contaminated baking ingredients, faulty fire compartmentation and self-combusting speakers. She is also particularly interested in pharmaceutical cases and those involving medical devices.

Private International Law

Paige has experience of advising and pleading in cases involving jurisdiction, choice of law and the impact of Brexit. She also is familiar with the interactions between private international law and other areas of Chambers' expertise such as insurance and personal injury.

Commercial

Paige is regularly instructed to advise, plead and appear in a broad range of commercial matters, including insurance, insolvency, and general contractual disputes. Paige has also been instructed in several high value international arbitrations relating to disputes over exclusion of liability, subrogation, and breach of contract.