


UPDATE - 4 recent cases

John Snell, Guildhall Chambers




KIRK v WALTON

[2008] EWHC 1780 Cox J
[2009] EWHC 703 Coulson J

Exaggerated claims

Contempt of Court

Penalty?




SMITH v NORTHAMPTONSHIRE CC

[2009] UKHL 27 20th May 2009

The rotten ramp

The scope of PUWER 1998

"the direct sphere of the employer's undertaking or control"



BARR v BIFFA WASTE SERVICES LTD

[2009] EWHC 1033 Coulson J

Disclosure of ATE policies

Disclosure ordered in a Group Litigation Order case

Disclosure in other cases



SMITH v FINCH

[2009] EWHC 53 Griffith Williams J

Failure to wear a bicycle helmet

Contributory negligence

Failure to prove causation