

* JOHN WHITTING QC

CALL: 1991

SILK: 2011

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John joined Guildhall as a door tenant in December 2012 and is an experienced barrister in clinical negligence and professional negligence.

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PRACTICE AREAS

- Clinical Negligence
- Inquests

CLINICAL NEGLIGENCE

In the clinical sphere, John has represented claimants and defendant Trusts and defence organisations in an extremely wide range of complex and high value claims.

SIGNIFICANT CASES

- Thomas v Curley [2013] EWCA Civ 117
 - Croft v Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust [2012] EWHC 1470 (QB)
 - Naraji v Dr. Shelbourne and others [2011] EWHC 3298 (QB)
 - D Morgan plc v Mace & Jones and another [2010] EWHC 3375 (TCC)
 - McGlenn v Waltham Contractors and others [2007] EWHC 149 (TCC)
 - The Alison Christian Inquest [2007]
 - Kingsberry v Greater Manchester Strategic Health Authority [2005] EWHC 2253
 - Lillywhite v UCL Hospitals NHS Trust [2005] EWCA Civ 1466
 - The Robbie Powell Inquest [2004]
 - Morris v Blackpool Victoria Hospital NHS Trust [2004] EWCA Civ 1294
 - Ball v Wirral Health Authority [2003] All ER (D) 229
 - Griggs v Transco plc [2003] EWCA Civ 564
 - Jeffrey v Royal Devon & Exeter NHS Trust [2003] All ER (D) 235
 - Carillion Construction Ltd v Farebrother & Partners and others [2002] EWHC 216 (TCC)
 - James Longley & Co v Forest Giles Limited [2001] EWCA Civ 1242
 - Department of National Heritage v SVM [1998] 60 Construction Law Review
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INQUESTS

John's experience also extends into inquests/coronial law and regulatory, including GMC and RCVS, work as well as product liability in the health context.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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John was described as 'a silk with a growing reputation, who is considered to be amongst the best at cross-examination in the London market: "I think he's probably the most devastating cross-examiner I've ever seen in court - it's like a courtroom television programme! He's a very very bright guy." "A real fighter with high standards, he's a truly gifted trial advocate who gets the right result for his clients.

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'praised for the value he brings to maximum severity claims' and described as 'delightful to deal with, very good with clients' with an 'uncommon ability to produce first-rate advice with seeming effortlessness and to great effect.'

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'A real fighter' with 'exceptional advocacy skills.'

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'A real star of the junior bar in this area, acting with distinction on both the claimant and defendant sides, no matter how difficult and challenging the case' as well as 'Sensible, robust and thoughtful' in his approach, he is beloved of solicitors as he is "efficient, speedy and reliable" in his turnaround of work.

APPOINTMENTS:

- Welsh Government Panel of Queen's Counsel
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