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Paul Rees KC is most widely known and recognised for his clinical negligence practice where he has been involved in some of the most significant cases, in particular the series of “indexation” cases, which were considered in the Court of Appeal in 2007.

He also practices in a range of related fields including personal injury, professional disciplinary tribunals, inquests and certain aspects of administrative law.

He has experience in other non-medical types of professional negligence involving construction professionals and associated litigation.

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Clinical Negligence

Paul is a highly recommended silk by both leading legal directories and was shortlisted for Clinical Negligence Silk of the Year at the Legal 500 Bar Awards in 2025. Recent editorial includes:

"Paul is an exceptional barrister with attention to detail like no one else. He would be a go-to KC for any maximum severity clinical negligence claim, and he continues to be as thorough and sharp as ever." Legal 500 2026

"He is an eminent barrister and is extremely well respected." Chambers & Partners 2027

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"*Paul is detailed and considered whilst providing clear analysis."* Chambers & Partners 2027

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"Paul is careful and detailed in his approach and always willing to assist and to advise. His experience in both defendant and claimant work gives him a great insight into cases." Chambers & Partners 2025

"Paul is thorough, clever, disciplined and helpful." Chambers & Partners 2025

"Paul adds a lot of value given his wealth of experience." Chambers & Partners 2025

"He combines exceptional attention to detail with an unrivalled work ethic." Legal 500 2025

"Paul Rees is the godfather of medical negligence litigation, a formidable intellect, absolutely standout in the field." "If you want meticulous preparation of a case and understanding of it, then Paul Rees is the person." Chambers & Partners 2024

Selected Cases

- **Baynham v Royal Wolverhampton [2016] EWCA Civ 1249.**

- **Sebry v Registrar of Companies [2015] EWHC 115 (QB).**
- **RH v UHB NHS Foundation Trust [2013] EWHC 299 (QB).**
- **Thompstone v Tameside & Others [2008] EWHC 2948 (QB).**
- **Thompstone v Tameside & Others [2008] EWCA Civ 5.**
- **Milkhu v North West London Hospitals NHS Trust (2003).**
- **Parkin v Bromley Health Authority (2002).**
- **Hubbard v Lambeth, Southwark & Lewisham Health Authority TLR 8.10.2001.**
- **Webb v Barclays Bank & Others [2001] Lloyd's Rep Med 500.**
- **Hornsby v Clark Kenneth Leventhal [2000] 4 AER 567.**

Appointments

- Supplementary Panel (1991)

Memberships

- PNBA
- TECBAR