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Giles Colin

Call: 1994



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He was called to the Bar in 1994 and developed a practice almost exclusively in the criminal courts in South East England, before moving to London in 2000. This gave him valuable experience for witness actions and for all aspects of his practice today, but particularly disciplinary and regulatory work.

"He is excellent on his feet – a very good trial lawyer. He's is also brilliant with experts and offers excellent client service."

Chambers & Partners 2020

"Very sharp, accurate with his advice and very persuasive in his argument. He is very good at seeing the bigger picture."

Chambers & Partners 2019

"A good performer. He is good on a case where a direct approach is needed." "Good at grasping the issues and not afraid to take on a challenge." "Very persuasive."

Chambers & Partners 2018

Clinical Negligence

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Selected Cases

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- **Keith Williams v CWM Taf University Hospital Board [2018] EWCA Civ 1745:** Claimant appealed against the decision that the multidisciplinary medical team who had treated him for critical limb ischemia were not negligent.
- **GMC v Richard Akinrolabu [16.05.06]:** First Instruction by GMC Legal of Counsel to cross-examine a vulnerable witness who gave evidence by video link in circumstances where the Doctor did not have representation.

Professional Discipline & Regulation

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- **Ndri v Moorfields Eye Hospital NHS Foundation Trust [2006] EWHC 3652 (QB):** MRSA claim against a hospital.

Personal Injury

Giles Colin is an active practitioner in Personal Injury.

Selected Cases

- **The General Council of the Bar of England and Wales v (1) Brandon and (2) Fisher [24.10.2006]:** appeal to the visitors from the decision to impose and enforce a fine on the appellants by a Summary Procedure Panel and Disciplinary Panel respectively.

Appointments

- Disciplinary Tribunal of the Bar Council (barrister member).
- (Former) Assistant Treasurer of the South Eastern Circuit.

Education

- Inns of Court School of Law
- Dip Law, Polytechnic of Central London
- BA (Hons), Durham University

Publications

- New Law Journal, 'Experts: know your limits', January 2022
- Contributor to the 1COR Quarterly Medical Law Review (QMLR)