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# Georgina Crawford

Year of Call: 2006

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### Overview

Georgina is consistently ranked as a top tier leading junior in the field of personal injury and is one of a handful of leading juniors and silks ranked in the specialist field of Animal Law.

She is typically instructed in catastrophic injury and other high-value claims in the High Court and multi-track matters in the County Court. Her particular expertise is in Animals Act claims. Georgina was successful in the much publicised cases of Ford v Seymour Williams [2021] EWCA Civ 1848 and Boyd v Hughes [2025] EWHC 435 (KB).

Her practice also routinely includes inquests, clinical negligence, disease work, road traffic accidents and the full raft of public and employer's liability claims. Her practice is both claimant and defendant.

## **Expertise**

#### Personal Injury

Georgina's career began and for several years continued in London and her personal injury practice has been built up over 19 years of experience across the spectrum of personal injury claims, ranging from industrial accidents to public liability and everything in between.

Georgina is frequently successful in achieving findings of lack of credibility and fraud and was at the forefront of the emerging fundamental dishonesty case law (*Menary v Darnton*, Unreported, HHJ Hughes QC at Portsmouth County Court, (cited in <u>London Organising Committee of the Olympic And Paralympic Games</u> (LOCOG) v Sinfield [2018] EWHC 51 (QB)).

#### Animals & Equine

Georgina is a 'go to' junior for equine claims engaging the Animals Act, negligence, and occupier's/employer's liability. Georgina was brought up in a rural environment and equestrianism and country pursuits are her passion. She is a keen and competent horsewoman and brings personal knowledge and experience to equine claims. She has dealt with all manner of claims ranging from every day riding school accidents, to accidents at international events. She frequently deals with very high value and complex claims involving life changing injuries.

She also deals very regularly with other animal-related accidents such as disfiguring dog bites and livestock related crushing accidents.

Georgina also deals with contractual disputes, for example those arising from the buying and selling of horses and livestock, involving issues of consumer rights and misrepresentation.

Georgina also deals with professional claims involving allegations of farriery and veterinary negligence etc.

Georgina was appointed to the British Equestrian Federation in 2016 as a judicial panel member, a role in which she determines appeals on anti-doping and competition selection decisions.

#### Clinical Negligence

Georgina has extensive experience of fatal and catastrophic life changing claims.

She has acted for protected parties in brain injury claims, children in negligent delivery claims, patients in negligent surgery actions, delayed diagnosis claims and the victims of failed cosmetic and reversal procedures etc.

Georgina is valued for putting her lay clients at ease in difficult circumstances.

#### Disease

Georgina represents both claimants and defendants on a broad range of disease claims such as HAVS, asbestosis and mesothelioma, occupational asthma, dust exposure, chlorine exposure, leptospirosis and work-related upper limb disorders. She is currently junior to <u>Jayne Adams KC</u> in various occupational asthma claims.

## Professional Negligence

Georgina has contributed to Atkin's Court Forms on professional negligence and is experienced in defending disciplinary actions and both defending and acting for the claimant in a wide variety of professional negligence actions ranging from legal to farriery malpractice.

#### Inquests

Over the years, Georgina has been instructed in many inquests both as counsel for the bereaved family and from a protective position representing interested parties.

Her experience covers fatal road traffic collisions, drug-related deaths, clinical care related deaths, fatal falls in care homes, suicide, fatal accidents at work and more.

She has met with challenges over the years in this fraught environment and has successfully cross-examined forensic road traffic collision experts, pathologists, neurosurgeons, oncologists and the like.

## **Appointments**

- Deputy District Judge
- Direct Access
- Judicial panel member, British Equestrian Federation

# **Professional Memberships**

- Personal Injuries Bar Association
- Association of Regulatory and Disciplinary Lawyers

# Qualifications

- London Faculty of Laws
- LLB Law (First Class Hons), University College, London
- BVC (Very Competent), University College, London

## Recommendations

"Georgina is a top-drawer barrister who is friendly and personable in front of clients and a solid performer in the courtroom."

- Chambers UK 2025

"Georgina has immaculate attention to detail and provides well-rounded advice on often complex and untested matters. She is very measured when dealing with witnesses and is able to extract key information adjusting to the communicative needs of each participant."

- The Legal 500 2025

"Georgina is a very strong all-round barrister. She is very thorough in her review and preparation of a case. In court or an inquest, she is not fazed by the complexity of a matter and stays calm even in difficult and challenging circumstances."

- Legal 500 2024

"Georgina is excellent with clients. Her attention to detail is second-to-none. She is very good on her feet with thorough preparation."

- Legal 500 2024

"Georgina is excellent at grasping the issues in the case and dealing with them. She is great with clients and immensely personable."

- Legal 500 2023

"Georgina gets an excellent grasp of the issues; she establishes a good rapport quickly with clients and has the ability to think outside the box."

- Legal 500 2022

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