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Anirudh is building a broad practice in civil and public law. His core practice areas include data protection, human rights and judicial review, police law, inquests, clinical negligence, personal injury (both domestic and cross border) and the Court of Protection.

He is ranked as a "rising star" (Legal 500) and "up and coming" (Chambers and Partners). He is described as someone who is "always well prepared for the fight", "clear, knowledgeable and informative to clients", "very bright", "a future star…really impressive, very conscientious and level-headed", with a "kind touch with all clients to give them reassurance and support".

Recent highlights of Anirudh's practice include the following:

- Inquests into the death of patients by Ian Paterson (2024 – ongoing). Anirudh is led by Jonathan Jones KC, Briony Ballard, and Scott Matthewson as junior counsel to these inquests.
- ***R (on the application of Taylor) v Information Commissioner (and others)*** CA-2024-002. Anirudh was led by Simon Butler (both acting for the Claimants) in this appeal to the Court of Appeal arising out of service of the Claim Form. The appeal was allowed by consent with costs awarded to the Claimant.
- ***MF v First-Tier Tribunal (Social Entitlement Chamber)*** [2025] UKUT 181 (AAC): Anirudh acted unled for the Claimant in this judicial review arising out of the relevance of ignorance to the question of 'exceptional circumstances' under the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme,
- ***Roberts v Jones*** [2024] EWHC 290 (KB) and [2024] EWCA Civ 118;. Anirudh was led by Simon Butler in the Court of Appeal in this appeal arising out of the proper operation of CPR 71 and the slip rule.
- ***Lester Corporation Ltd v Rahim*** [2023] EWHC 1805 (KB); an appeal concerning a non-party costs order and an order for indemnity costs. Anirudh acted as sole counsel in the King's Bench Division.

Prior to the Bar, Anirudh worked as a judicial assistant to Sir Rupert Jackson and Lady Justice Asplin. He was also appointed as a visiting tutor at the London School of Economics.

Away from the Bar, Anirudh enjoys wild swimming, badminton, and baking biscuits, cakes and pastries.

Areas of Expertise

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Data Protection

Anirudh has a diverse data protection practice and information law practice. He acts for local authorities, police authorities, educational institutions, and individuals in bringing or defending claims brought under the GDPR, the Data Protection Act 2018, the European Convention on Human Rights, the Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations, and the common law.

As well as his court work, Anirudh advises clients on GDPR compliance, and the regulatory implications of proposed data sharing arrangements.

Notable Data Protection cases

Akighbe v London Borough of Bromley

A claim was brought against a local authority in respect of alleged inaccuracies in social services records. Anirudh represented the local authority, and the claim was struck out.

C v Police Authority

This claim was brought alleging breach of confidence against the police in relation to the unauthorised disclosure of an informant's identity.

R v Local Authority

This claim was brought against a local authority arising out of an alleged transfer of personal data to the United States.

Public Law and Human Rights

Anirudh acts and advises on public law and human rights matters. He has experience of drafting and advising on judicial review proceedings (including Age Assessment reviews), and breaches of the Human Rights Act.

Notable Public Law and Human Rights cases

AB v (1) Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority, (2) First Tier Tribunal

Anirudh is acting unled in judicial review proceedings in respect of a claim under the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme. Namely, whether ignorance of the scheme is a relevant factor when considering exceptional circumstances for a delay in applying.

S v Ombudsman

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Anirudh acted in judicial review proceedings were brought against an ombudsman alleging maladministration in interpreting the Adoption Support Services Regulations (2005).

J v Police Authority

This claim was intimated under Article 3 ECHR. It raised allegations of a failure to conduct a proper and effective investigation in relation to an allegation of rape.

Clinical Negligence

Anirudh has a busy clinical negligence practice. He has acted in a variety of claims, including delayed diagnosis of cancer, fatal accident claims, failures to obtain informed consent, and dental negligence. He also has experience of claims brought under the ECHR against healthcare providers. Details of his cross-border clinical negligence experience can be found in the "travel and cross border section".

Notable Clinical Negligence cases

B v NHS Trust

This claim arose out of the suicide of a vulnerable patient in the care of an NHS Trust.

FS v NHS Trust

This claim arose out an alleged failure to properly interpret MRI images, resulting in the Claimant allegedly sustaining chronic pain in his knees.

S v NHS Trust

Anirudh assisted in this claim arising out of criminal acts committed in a hospital mortuary.

Inquests & Inquiries

Anirudh is instructed to act for bereaved families and healthcare providers. He has appeared in inquests and pre-inquest review hearings and is well-versed in understanding difficult medical issues which arise in such hearings.

Notable Inquests & Inquiries cases

Inquests into the deaths of patients of Ian Paterson

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Led by Jonathan Jones KC, Anirudh acts as junior counsel to the inquests. This is an inquest into the death of 62 of Mr. Paterson's former patients.

Inquest into the death of Louise Schilt

Anirudh represented the family of Louise Schilt, who suffered a complication subsequent to a pleural drainage. The coroner recorded a narrative conclusion, in which she identified several missed opportunities by clinicians.

Police Law

Anirudh is instructed regularly in civil claims involving the police. He acts in all types of claims, including assault, battery, misfeasance and malicious prosecution claims, claims involving a breach of the ECHR (Articles 3 and 8) and data protection claims.

Notable Police Law cases

Achille v Chief Constable of the West Midlands Police

This claim (pleaded at £150,000.00) is ongoing and raised allegations of direct discrimination, breach of the Data Protection Act 1998 and Article 8 of the ECHR against the police.

L v A Police Authority

This claim arose out of an alleged negligence at a firearms training course. It is pleaded at £1,000,000.00.

M v A Police Authority

Anirudh is acting an ongoing claim raising allegations of assault, battery, misfeasance in public office and malicious prosecution against police officers.

Personal Injury & Industrial Disease

Anirudh's practice embraces the breadth of personal injury. He has been instructed in claims involving physical and sexual abuse, sporting injuries, industrial disease, employers' liability, road traffic accidents and more. He has dealt with claims involving brain injury, fatal accidents, CRPS, deafness, and industrial poisoning.

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Notable Personal Injury & Industrial Disease cases

A, B, C and D v CICA

Anirudh acted for four siblings who had been abused by their father in the 1960s. The First-Tier Tribunal ruled that limitation should be disapplied due to exceptional circumstances, and they were entitled to compensation.

E v F Ltd

Led by Sarah Prager KC, Anirudh acted in an occupiers' liability claim concerning complex regional pain syndrome.

G v H Ltd.

Anirudh is currently acting in a brain injury case arising out of defective premises.

Travel & Cross Border Claims

Anirudh has a busy cross-border and travel practice. He previously worked as a stagiaire at the European Court of Justice and is well-versed in retained EU law. Anirudh's practice spans the breadth of international personal injury. It includes claims against foreign insurers, claims involving the package travel regulations and cross-border clinical negligence.

Notable Travel & Cross Border Claims cases

P v A Tour Operator

This claim arose out of accident in accommodation provided by a package tour operator. It resulted in the claimant sustaining lifelong injuries.

H v A French Insurer

Anirudh acted in a French Law claim against a foreign insurer. The claim arose out of an accident in a swimming pool.

L v A Polish Clinic

Anirudh is acting in an ongoing claim against a Polish clinic alleging negligently performed cosmetic surgery.

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Court of Protection

Anirudh has a growing practice in the Court of Protection. He has experience with both the personal welfare and property and affairs jurisdiction.

Notable Court of Protection cases

Re AL

This case concerned the long-term residency of the protected party, and the assessment of capacity.

Re GB

Anirudh acted for the local authority in a long-running case regarding the healthcare and living arrangements of a vulnerable resident in a care home.

Education

- Bar Professional Training Course (Very Competent), City Law School
- Graduate Diploma in Law (Distinction), City University
- B.A. Hons in History (First Class), University of Oxford

Appointments

- Attorney General's Junior Junior Scheme
- PIBA Executive Committee

Awards

- First Prize, Senior Moot
- Lord Denning Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn
- Lord Bowen Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn
- Hardwicke Entrance Award
- Exhibition Scholarship, St. Catherine's College, University of Oxford

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