

# David Thomson

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David Thomson's main speciality is Injury work – he has the advantage of law degrees and having practiced medicine as a junior surgeon and a GP for a number of years before being called to the Bar.

Acting for both claimants and defendants he is known for specialist high quantum and causation advice, particularly covering neurological damage.

In addition to significant personal injury work, healthcare and clinical negligence, David practices in sports regulation and governance, especially safeguarding. He is an appointed member of the National Safeguarding Panel in sport. Regularly appointed independent Chair of sports disciplinary commissions and appeal boards. Arbitrator and Mediator (on Sports Resolutions specialist legal panel).

David is also instructed in injury claims by past and serving soldiers using his experience gained serving as a Unit Medical Officer.

## Areas of Expertise

### Clinical Negligence & Healthcare

David has considerable experience of advising in clinical negligence proceedings and trials for both claimants and defendants over 25 years.

David is instructed by many listed specialist clinical negligence firms nationally and many mixed local and high street firms seeking specialist advice and pleadings.

David is also instructed by NHSR panel firms and the MDU.

David has appeared before many coroners in jury and non-jury inquests. David represents families and other interested parties, such as NHS trusts and providers of health services to HMP.

Direct access is not accepted. David is a panel member for Advocate.

## Personal Injury

David is instructed by many listed specialist personal injury firms nationally and many mixed local and high street firm seeking specialist advice and pleadings.

David is also instructed by insurers and local authorities concerning RTCs, employers liability and occupiers liability.

## Regulatory & Disciplinary

David is a legal chairman of National Safeguarding Panels (NSP) in sport and appeal panel/boards.

He has many years' experience in a range of national sports disciplinary and regulatory spheres including gymnastics, football and cricket.

He was an independent Commissioner to the Football Regulatory Authority (FRA) of the Football Association for the two 4-year terms.

## Education

- Hymers College, Hull 1970 – 1980 O levels & A levels
- Sheffield University Medical School 1980 – 1985 Mb ChB
- Primary Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons (Edin) 1997
- London University 1989 – 1992 LLB
- Peterhouse, Cambridge University LLM 1992 – 1993
- Inns of Court School of Law 1993 – 1994
- Called to the Bar 1994
- Fellow of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators FCI Arb 1997

## Appointments

- Legal Chair of National Safeguarding Panels (NSP) in sport. Administered by Sport Resolutions.
- Panel chairman, arbitrator and mediator, Sports Resolutions and sports' governing bodies.

## Awards

- Cambridge university International Law award for study at the Hague, Netherlands 1993
- Rank of Captain, RAMC 1995 Inns of Court and City of London Yeomanry, 71 (Yeomanry) Signal Regiment. Regimental Surgeon/UMO.

## Accreditation Logos

