Medical malpractice defence

BUYING AND SELLING A DENTAL PRACTICE

- We have a team of over 30 medical defence specialists currently handling over 700 cases ranging from small value to multi-million pound brain damage claims.
- We have extensive expertise in insurance law and act for a number of the market leading private medical insurers.
- We have been a member of the NHS Resolution panel of clinical defence solicitors since its inception.
- We have a track record of successfully concluding well over 10,000 medical malpractice claims.
- We have close relationships with healthcare providers, so we are a firm that insurers and insureds will trust.
- Our expertise in healthcare covers all areas and we can bring this expertise to bear in litigation, inquests and regulatory matters.
- Our 24 hour advice line means your insured has peace of mind that they can, as with any defence organisation, access legal advice day or night.

HOW CAPSTICKS CAN HELP

Better results for clients

We provide a proportionate and commercial early view on whether to settle or fight. Once the decision is taken, we achieve the result as economically as possible.

We work with both Insurers and the Insured to ensure that clinicians are fully involved in the legal process, and in particular in the decision whether to settle or fight. We work to ensure that clinicians "buy into" and understand the decision of underwriters.

Helping to reduce risk

Capsticks has a national reputation for clinical risk management, and has been working for many years with the NHS on systems to mitigate clinical risk and avoid litigation. We continue to offer our Open University accredited Diploma in Clinical Risk Management, and can work with your insured to feedback "lessons from litigation".

Using systems to further your objectives

We understand the importance of shaping our methods to fit in with your business, and work with our clients to design and implement reports and work management protocols specific to those clients' needs. Meeting your KPIs is our priority. Capsticks are ISO9001 accredited.

Offering you value

As a national firm based in London, Birmingham, Leeds and Winchester, we can offer our clients highly competitive rates whilst still maintaining the highest standards of service, quality and added value.

OUR SPECIALISTS

Majid Hassan, Joanna Bower, Anna Walsh and Philip Hatherall are our principal senior lawyers leading teams of insurance specialists. They are assisted by lawyers across a range of qualifications to ensure work is passed to the appropriate level.

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Majid handles a range of medical malpractice claims for NHS bodies and private healthcare providers. His broad range of litigation experience allows him to provide commercial and practical advice to clients.

He handles a wide range of clinical negligence claims including highvalue cerebral palsy claims and group litigation. In addition to his litigation work Majid advises on various consent to treatment and mental capacity issues and has appeared as an advocate at inquests. Majid lectures to clients and national conferences on risk management and improving safety in medicine.

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Philip works with clients in the health and social care, insurance and emergency services sectors to resolve and learn from claims, inquests and serious incidents.

Philip specialises in handling inquests, inquires and clinical negligence claims on behalf of defendants. He is trusted to deliver the best possible outcomes in the most sensitive and complex cases. A client described how "Philip's advice and support for me and my executive team has proved invaluable on many occasions. With Philip you have a proactive and personal service, always available and willing to go the extra mile."

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Anna acts on instructions from NHS Resolution in claims brought against NHS Trusts and from Lloyd's insurers in wide-rangingmedical malpractice matters, including those against private hospitals, clinics and care homes and recommendations made by the Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman. She has a special interest in fatal claims, brain damaged baby cases, matters involving sensitive issues and safety and learning. Anna regularly handles very high value, catastrophic injury claims.

In addition to her claims work, Anna advises insurers on policy coverage and challenges to policy coverage decisions. Anna is also instructed by insurers for inquests and criminal investigations arising from fatal incidents at health and social care organisations.