

Carl Rix

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Overview

Carl accepts instructions across all of chambers' main areas of practice, including employment, personal injury, and clinical negligence. He regularly appears in the County Court and Employment Tribunal acting in a wide range of hearings.

In respect of employment law, Carl regularly appears for Claimants and Respondents at preliminary hearings dealing with case management, strike out applications, time limit issues and other jurisdictional points. Carl has also successfully acted for clients in multi-day final hearings. Carl has recently finished a four-month secondment with a leading employment law firm.

In respect of his civil practice, Carl is frequently instructed in small claims and fast track trials and has covered a wide range of applications, including those related to disclosure, expert evidence, and track allocation. Carl regularly advises on quantum in respect of infant approval cases.

Prior to pupillage Carl worked for two and a half years as a Litigation Executive, specialising in clinical negligence and inquests, at a large regional firm in Norwich. Carl was the sole fee earner on a substantial number of clinical negligence claims which involved, amongst other things, missed diagnosis, negligent surgery, and lack of informed consent.

Carl also has a keen interest in inquests and is keen to develop this area of practice. Carl has previously represented bereaved families at multi-day inquests and has successfully secured a Prevent of Future Death report against the local NHS Trust. Carl also has experience in drafting detailed submissions on the engagement of Article 2 and summoning a jury. Carl gained significant experience in representing bereaved families at inquests whilst working as a Litigation Executive, particularly in multi-week article 2 jury inquests which related to mental health and/or deprivation of liberty. Many of these inquests attracted significant media attention with some receiving prominent coverage in the national press and television, with Carl having been quoted in the Independent newspaper.

Academics

BTC, Distinction (BPP Law School, 2022)

GDL, Distinction (University of East Anglia, 2019)

MEng Mechanical Engineering, First Class Honours (Swansea University, 2018)

Awards & Prizes

Certificate of Honour for BTC results (Middle Temple, 2022)

Diplock Scholarship for the BTC (Middle Temple, 2019)

Winner of the University of East Anglia's Mooting Competition (the final was held before Lady Arden at the Supreme Court) (2019)

Diplock Scholarship for the GDL (Middle Temple, 2018)

The Postgraduate Difference Scholarship (University of East Anglia, 2018)

Runner-up at the John Smith Memorial Mace debating competition (2017)

Winner of the Welsh Mace debating competition (2016)

Expertise

- Clinical Negligence
- Employment & Discrimination
- Personal Injury

Recommendations

"Old Square are my preferred set of chambers and have been throughout my career. They will always try to accommodate needs and the set are very down to earth and approachable. We have developed very good working relationships with the team over the years." The Legal 500

Key contacts

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Publications / Articles

'The Application of Article 2 ECHR at Inquests', AvMA Lawyers Service Newsletter (November 2021) (Co-authored with Jonathan Metzger of 1 Crown Office Row)

[*'Diplomatic immunity and the significant connection test: Tribunal has territorial jurisdiction to hear claims of former British Council employee in Dubai'*](#), Old Square Chambers website (January 2023).

[*'Maguire: Supreme Court Dismiss Article 2 Appeal'*](#), Old Square Chambers website (June 2023).