

## STEPHEN MAGUIRE

Year of call: 2007

Clerked by: Stephen Loxton Paul Clarke

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Clinical Negligence & Healthcare Inquests Occupational  
Disease Serious Injury



## Clinical Negligence & Healthcare

Stephen has over 20 years experience of dealing with clinical negligence litigation. He regularly provides advice in the areas of orthopedics, oncology, cardiology, general surgery, prescribing errors, obstetrics, cerebral palsy and other birth injury claims.

### Significant Reported Cases

Failure to diagnose and treat birth related cord prolapse resulting in cerebral palsy;

Failure to treat Atrial fibrillation which resulted in severe brain injury

Failure to adequately diagnose and treat severe neonatal infection resulting in respiratory distress leading to brain damage;

Mismanagement of breech delivery;

Negligent assessment of a psychiatric patient leading to catastrophic injuries from a suicide attempt;

Negligent administration of ortotoxic medication resulting in permanent injury;

Failure to correctly treat ulceration resulting in lower limb amputation;

Negligent catheterization resulting in the development of a penile stricture and other related bladder complications;

Failure to adequately diagnose and treat skin cancer resulting in reoccurrence of the condition;

Failure to correctly diagnose and treat Swine influenza;

Failure to correctly follow guidelines relating to the diagnosis and treatment of orthopedic fractures resulting in deterioration in the condition;

Recently instructed to act against a Defendant Trust and a medical prosthetics manufacturer in relation to the use of experimental heart valves resulting in claimant death.

Poor results following cosmetic surgery;

Stephen has also advised on a number of class actions including recent transatlantic litigation involving the incorrect clinical packaging of prosthetic lenses used in cataract surgery.

### Profile

Stephen's practice is focused on complex and high value litigation. He handles cases of the utmost severity, which include traumatic brain and spinal injuries, severe orthopaedic conditions, chronic pain, amputation and fatal accident cases. He regularly achieves multi-million pound settlements and periodical payment awards.

Prior to becoming a barrister Stephen was a senior solicitor/partner in a large city practice, where he was Head of Litigation. During this time he specialised in high value and complex cases and was instructed to advise on class actions, some of which he acted as lead solicitor. He was a Higher Courts Advocate and regularly represented his clients at all levels of the Court before transferring to the Bar.

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## Areas of Expertise

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Clinical Negligence & Healthcare

Inquests

Occupational Disease

Serious Injury

## Qualifications:

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University: Lancashire

Degree: LLB (Hons) Law

Legal Practice Course: 1997

Admitted as a Solicitor: 1998

Solicitor Higher Courts Advocate: 2002

Year of Call: 2007 (Inner Temple)

Joined Chambers: 2007

## Recommendations

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### Chambers UK 2020

"He's very tenacious and always willing to work hard to get the very best for his clients." "He is brave and tactically very clever with the way he approaches high-value cases, which results in the best possible settlements for the clients. He is also fantastic at establishing a rapport with clients and making them feel at ease, even in tragic cases."

"His attention to detail is impeccable and he is able to retain a huge amount of information." "His solicitor background makes him very realistic, but he's also prepared to take on a fight and has been able to really bring experts round to our point of view."

### Chambers UK 2019

"Stephen Maguire has an excellent grasp of the key issues in a case and is very thorough and focused with strong analytical skills. He is very approachable with clients and responds promptly to queries. Strong on quantum."

"He is incredibly thorough and his attention to detail is first-rate. He is not daunted by challenging or complex cases. His advocacy at a contested hearing has been impressive, bettered only by his performance at trial. He builds strong relationships with clients and instructing solicitors."

### Legal 500 2019

"Very intelligent and hones in on a case's most important and complex issues with ease."

### Chambers UK 2018

"He is an extremely competent barrister. He initially trained as a solicitor and therefore understands the challenges we face and how he can assist with that. He is very approachable and puts clients at ease."

"Responsive, approachable and not afraid of a challenge. He will go the extra mile for clients." "An exceptionally able junior. He always meets deadlines, his schedules are well prepared, he negotiates well and he is good with clients."

### Legal 500 2018

"Brave and fantastic with clients."

### Chambers UK 2017

"He's very aware of what the client has been through" and "is able to explain complex matters in a succinct and clear way that the client understands."

"He gets very good results in negotiations, often beyond our expectations." "His robust and uncompromising approach to litigation is inspiring. He is brave and willing to take on and win cases with difficult causation issues or where liability is in dispute."

### Legal 500 2017

"A very clever, strong advocate with a passionate approach."

### Chambers UK 2016

"He understands the solicitor's point of view, has good medical knowledge and specifics of the area of law. He's very down to earth and very friendly and approachable to clients."

"He is good with clients. He has a good eye for detail, provides good advice and turns around work quickly." "He is clever and very approachable."

**Chambers UK 2015**

"He's great on quantum, schedules and maximising damages." "He is adaptable and sympathetic, yet robust with clients when required."

"He is robust in negotiation." "He is very good technically, and always has the answers."

**Legal 500 2015**

"Very good with difficult clients."

