

**TOBY COUPE | MANCHESTER,
LEEDS & BIRMINGHAM**

Year of call: 2007

Qualifications: Degree: University of
Leeds, LLB (Hons) | BVC: BPP Leeds,
Outstanding

Clerked by: Stephen Loxton

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:
Inquests Serious Injury



Profile

Toby is ranked as a leading junior by both Chambers UK and the Legal 500. He is instructed on behalf of Claimants and Defendants in equal measure, in high value personal injury litigation, which generally arises out of accidents on the road, at work and in public places. Increasingly, the majority of his work involves individuals who have sustained traumatic brain or spinal cord injuries.

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Areas of Expertise

Inquests

Toby has a nationwide serious injury practice, which often leads to him being instructed to represent interested parties at inquests, in order to provide early strategic advice and assess the merits of any potential claims. Toby is an experienced jury advocate and in 2018 he was appointed Junior Counsel to the Crown, which has resulted in him being instructed to represent a number of government agencies in the Coroner's Court.

Serious Injury

Toby has a nationwide serious injury practice, evenly split between representing catastrophically injured Claimants, insurance companies, NHS Trusts, local authorities and the government, having been appointed Junior Counsel to the Crown in 2018.

The majority of Toby's work involves acquired brain and spinal cord injuries, claims arising out of fatal accidents and significant orthopaedic injuries, often leading to amputation and/or chronic pain.

In the last six months alone, Toby has helped to recover: £9.8 million on behalf of a Claimant with a T9 spinal cord injury, £7.8 million on behalf of a Claimant with an acquired brain injury and £3.7 million on behalf of a Claimant with an above knee amputation. He is currently instructed in a number of claims pleaded to a value in excess of £5 million, both as junior alone and with the benefit of Leading Counsel.

Memberships

Personal Injury Bar Association

North Eastern Circuit

Appointments

Junior Counsel to the Crown (2018-2023)

Secretary to the Henry Scott Fund

Golf Junior, North Eastern Circuit

Qualifications

Degree: University of Leeds, LLB (Hons)

BVC: BPP Leeds, Outstanding

Year of Call: 2007 (Lincoln's Inn)

Awards: Buchanan Prize and Wolfson Scholarship

Recommendations

Chambers UK 2023

"Toby is impressive and effective with clients and experts. His down-to-earth nature makes him extremely approachable."

"He has sound judgement and always provides his advice in a clear and effective manner."

Legal 500 2023

'Toby genuinely cares about his clients, and has exceptionally sound judgement. He is an excellent advocate, knowing which points to press and how best to present his clients' arguments. He couples these attributes with an exceptional work ethic.'

Chambers UK 2022

"Very knowledgeable, great with clients and experts, and has a real flair for getting to the nub of issues. He is also really user-friendly and turns things around very efficiently."

Legal 500 2022

"Toby is incredibly detailed and hard-working. He prepares thoroughly and has a balanced approach to cases. A genuine star."

Chambers UK 2021

"A very experienced junior who is thorough in his preparation. He has a good tactical brain and a calming manner with clients." "He is pragmatic and to the point."

Legal 500 2021

"Clarity of advice, manner with all types of clients, witnesses and experts. Common sense and commerciality of approach to litigation."

Legal 500 2020

"Adds value to any instruction due to his in-depth knowledge and extensive preparation."

Chambers UK 2020

"A safe pair of hands."

Chambers UK 2019

"Recognised as a rising star in the personal injury field"

"He has very good attention to detail"

"A very reasonable and sensible advocate"

Legal 500 2019

"Highly experienced in cases involving life-changing injuries"

Chambers UK 2018

"Recognised as a rising star in the personal injury field"

Legal 500 2018

"Known for acting in claims involving life-changing injuries"

Legal 500 2017

“He has an excellent ability to analyse the details, set a strategy, communicate to the client and present in court”

Legal 500 2016

“Never fails to impress insurer and lay clients alike; definitely one to watch”

