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Education	Professional Associations	Appointments
Inns of Court School of Law Birmingham University LLB	Northern Circuit	Crown Counsel to the Falkland Islands Government (2007)
Lady Manners School, Bakewell		Queen Mother Scholar Blackstone Entrance Exhibitioner

Areas of Specialism
Personal Injury
Civil and Insurance Fraud
Highways
Tripping and Slipping Claims
Occupiers Liability Claims
Employers Liability Claims
RTA Claims
Disease
Travel
Motor Claims
Employer's Liability and Public Liability
Contempt & Private Prosecutions

Robert specialises in Personal Injury cases with a particular emphasis on matters involving Fraud and quasi-fraud.

He has wide experience of dealing with low velocity impact defences, allegations of staged accidents, phantom passengers and fraud rings. He also acts for a number of local authorities in public liability claims where there are serious causation concerns.

Robert is also regularly instructed in employers' liability cases and frequently acts for multi-national companies and local authorities in claims involving the six-pack regulations. He also deals with a wide range of public liability cases including occupiers' liability claims with issues involving the design and layout of premises.

Robert has also developed an interest in the application of the Data Protection Act 1998 and principles of confidentiality, particularly with reference to disclosure obligations.

Orzechowska v ABF Plc (t/a Speedibake) [2014] EWHC 495 (QB) (26 February 2014

Practice Area: Employer's Liability

EWHC 495 (QB) (26 February 2014 - Consideration of when Regulation 12(3) of the Workplace Regulations 1992 is engaged. The High Court held that some element of foreseeability was relevant and that on the facts a pipe in a factory was not likely to present a risk of tripping and was therefore not an obstruction in accordance with Regulation 12(3). Coulson J also held that the regulation was designed to address objects or substances which should not otherwise have been on a factory or workplace floor, not a permanent piece of plant in its usual position.

Jackson v (1) Lancaster (2) Chubb Insurance (2012)

Practice Area: Civil Fraud

Three day trial; extensive use of social website links.

Rehman v EUI Ltd (2011)

Practice Area: Civil Fraud

Four day trial; allegation of phantom passenger

Dougal & Others v (1) Choudhury (2) Zurich (2011)

Practice Area: Civil Fraud

Four day trial; RTA fraud ring

Ul-Bari v Solution Transport (2011)

Practice Area: Civil Fraud

Fraud; strike out

Kelly v Kirklees MBC (2011)

Practice Area: Highways

Multi-track trial; consideration of duty of highway authority to ensure safe passage along highway is not endangered by snow or ice under s. 41(1)(a) Highways Act 1980

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