

## Stephen Grime QC

1970 Middle Temple

1987 Queens Counsel

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### Professional Associations

Wrekin College

Trinity College, Oxford (Scholar),  
MA (Oxon)

Fellow, Chartered Institute of  
Arbitrators

Professional Negligence Bar  
Association

Personal Injury Bar Association

AVMA

### Appointments

Recorder 1988 – 2007

Technology & Construction Court  
Recorder 1997 - 2007

Head of Deans Court Chambers -  
2000 – 2005

### Areas of Specialism

Personal Injury

Clinical Negligence

Professional Liabilities

Commercial & Insurance Disputes

Dispute Resolution

Construction & Environmental Claims

### Profile

My field of practice is common law civil but latterly has centred around multi-million pound personal injury and clinical negligence disputes. These have included cross-border cases with jurisdiction or similar points.

I have also undertaken a variety of construction, environmental, professional negligence and business-related cases.

I have extensive ADR experience and am an arbitrator and mediator.

### Notable Cases

#### Personal Injury

##### **Mitchell & Ors v United Co-Operatives Ltd [2012]**

EWCA Civ 348 Claim by shop workers for stress caused by assaults at work.

#### Professional Liabilities

##### **Furmedge & Ors v Chester-Le-Street District Council [2011]**

EWHC 1226 (QB) (16 May 2011) Dispute as to responsibility for Dreamspace v disaster on Co Durham.

## Clinical Negligence

### **Conan v Williams [2010]**

EWHC 758 (QB) [2010] EWHC 758 (QB), [2010] Med LR 255 Claim against GP in relation to ante-natal care.

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## Clinical Negligence

### **Roult v North West Strategic Health Authority [2009]**

EWCA Civ 444 (20 May 2009) [2009] PIQR P18, [2009] EWCA Civ 444, [2009] LS Law Medical 383 Binding effect of partial settlement of clinical negligence claim.

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## Clinical Negligence

### **Tameside & Glossop Acute Services NHS Trust v Thompson & Ors [2008]**

EWCA Civ 5 (17 January 2008) ((2008) 100 BMLR 113, [2008] 1 WLR 2207, [2008] 2 All ER 553, [2008] EWCA Civ 5, [2008] LS Law Medical 282, [2008] PIQR Q2; From England and Wales Court of Appeal (Civil Division) Choice of inflation measure in periodical payment cases.

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## Commercial & Insurance Disputes

### **Churchill Insurance Company Limited v Benjamin Wilkinson, Tracy Evans v Equity Claims Limited, Court of Justice of European Union, C-442/10**

R.T.R. 10 Churchill Insurance Company Ltd v Wilkinson & Ors [2010] EWCA Civ 556 (19 May 2010) ([2010] EWCA Civ 556, [2010] Lloyd's Rep IR 591, [2010] PIQR P15; Wilkinson v Fitzgerald & Anor [2009] EWHC 1297 (QB) [2009] 3 CMLR 33, [2009] EWHC 1297 (QB), [2009] PIQR P20, [2010] 1 All ER 198 Dispute as to conflict between UK motor insurance law and EU directives.

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## Construction & Environmental Claims

### **Corby Group Litigation, Re [2009]**

EWHC 1944 (TCC) (29 July 2009) ([2009] EWHC 1944 (TCC), [2009] NPC 100, [2010] Env LR D2; From England and Wales High Court (Technology and Construction Court) Environmental claim arising from reclamation of former steelworks

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## Construction & Environmental Claims

### **Hyde & Associates Ltd v Williams & Co Ltd [2000]**

EWCA Civ 211 (6 July 2000) ([2000] EWCA Civ 211; From England and Wales Court of Appeal (Civil Division) Claim by mail order company against construction professionals.

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## Personal Injury

### **Owusu v Jackson & Ors [2002]**

EWCA Civ 877 (19 June 2002) ([2002] EWCA Civ 877, [2003] PIQR 186; From England and Wales Court of Appeal (Civil Division) Jurisdiction of English Court in relation to accident in Jamaica.

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## Professional Liabilities

### **Mason & Ors v The Coal Authority [2001]**

EWHC 561 (QB) (15 March 2001) ([2001] EWHC 561 (QB); From England and Wales High Court (Queen's Bench Division) Liability in case of coal mining searches.

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## Commercial & Insurance Disputes

### **Bence Graphics International Ltd v Fasson UK Ltd [1996]**

EWCA Civ 748 ([1996] EWCA Civ 748, [1998] QB 87; From England and Wales Court of Appeal (Civil Division)  
Measure of damages in sale of goods.

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#### What the Directories say

A well-respected silk with terrific experience in a huge variety of civil claims including major clinical negligence cases. He is skilled on both the claimant and defendant sides of cerebral palsy claims. "Very sensible, very well prepared and compassionate in dealing with defendants." "Extensive knowledge of birth injury cerebral palsy claims and quantum issues in such complex cases." "He is very meticulous and thorough."

*Chambers and Partners, 2018*

'He distills salient details in a comprehensible way.'

*Legal 500, 2017*

An outstanding personal injury silk who regularly acts in multimillion-pound severe injury claims, including accidents abroad. Alongside his technical skill, sources also extol his ability to put clients at ease, especially claimants in catastrophic injury cases. "An intellectual powerhouse. Always well prepared and good with clients." "He's probably the most capable personal injury silk on the circuit, and a pre-eminent civil advocate." "A highly intelligent silk with extensive knowledge and experience, capable of great innovation and extremely good with clients."

*Chambers UK, 2017*

A well-respected silk with terrific experience in a huge variety of civil claims including major clinical negligence cases. He is skilled on both the claimant and defendant side of cerebral palsy claims. "He has a calm demeanour. He's unflappable." "He is vastly experienced and this shows in everything he does. He is clever and able to assimilate large quantities of information quickly."

*Chambers UK, 2017*

A renowned silk who represents both claimants and defendants in high-value catastrophic injury cases. He has extensive experience with clinical negligence disputes and cases with an international component. (Personal Injury) "He is outstanding. He is extremely thorough and has a very sharp brain and he will always spot things that other people cannot." "His attention to detail is second to none."

*Chambers UK, 2016*

An influential silk with a commanding presence, handling claims of utmost severity including specialisms in cerebral palsy and catastrophic injury. (Clinical Negligence) "An outstanding performer."

*Chambers UK, 2016*

Veteran practitioner Stephen Grime QC has a heavyweight practice focusing on cerebral palsy and catastrophic injury cases. "He is pragmatic - he doesn't go round the houses, he cuts through all that and goes straight to the heart of the matter."

*Chambers UK, 2015*

Highly experienced silk with a strong specialisation in catastrophic personal injury work, often acting on behalf of defendants. He is cited as a "fearless" advocate for his clients."He does both claimant and defendant work, is very measured in his advice, and his judgement is very good."He is tactically very able, with good client skills, and is a very approachable barrister.

*Chambers UK, 2015*

A great tactician and lateral thinker. (Personal injury and clinical negligence)

*Legal 500, 2014*

Is noted for his 'well-founded, practical advice

*Legal 500, 2014*

Has a broad personal injury practice which is principally focused on cases concerning catastrophic injuries. He impresses instructing solicitors, who note that he manages to be "highly intellectual", yet also extremely user-friendly.

*Chambers UK, 2013*

He is recommended by sources as "a great choice for heavyweight clinical negligence claims".

*Chambers UK, 2013*

At the top of his game. Highly skilled, hardworking and effective Counsel who can always be relied upon to handle the most complex of cases.

*Chambers UK, 2012*

Recommended for clinical negligence instructions.

*Legal 500, 2011*

One of the most rounded and able barristers on the Northern Circuit. His intelligence has prompted some to label him "a man with two brains".

*Chambers UK, 2011*

Cannot be rated too highly.

*Legal 500, 2010*

A very able advocate and specialist...An extremely impressive performer when it comes to clinical negligence work.

*Chambers UK, 2009*

At the top of his field...a terrific eye for detail.

*Chambers UK, 2008*

Grasps the most complex personal injury issues and gives clients the advice they need.

*Chambers UK, 2008*

Star silk.

*Legal 500, 2008*

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