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EXPERT INFORMATION

SPECIALIST AREAS:

- Endoscopic Minimal Invasive Spinal Surgery
- Trauma and orthopaedic surgery
- Cluneal nerve pain

CASES ACCEPTED:

Claimant age: 15+

Clinical assessments
Remote assessments
Home visits
Prison visits
Criminal cases
Screening reports
Desktop reports
Family cases*



*Case-by-case



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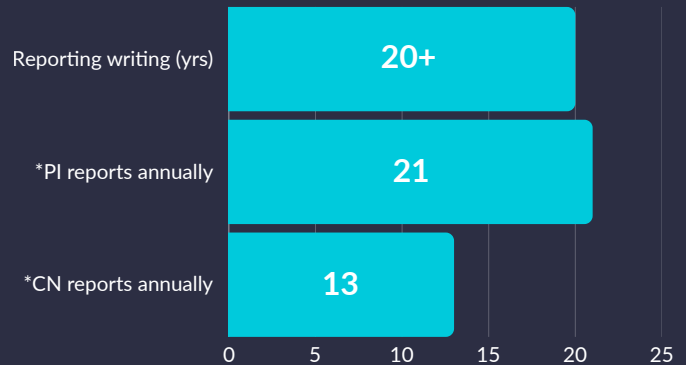
EXPERT RATIO



CLAIMANT **90%**
DEFENDANT **10%**



PI **60%**
CLIN NEG **40%**



*Annual report from 2024

VENUES:



- 9 Harley Street, London, W1G 9QY
- 25 Harley Street, London, W1G 9QY

FURTHER INFO:

Court experience
Bond Solon trained
Legal aid (LAA)
Personal Injury
Clinical Negligence:
• Causation
• Liability
• Breach of Duty
• Condition & Prognosis



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CASES RELATING TO:

Lumbar spine surgery:

- Wrong-level lumbar decompression or fusion
- Insufficient decompression (e.g. residual disc herniation, lateral recess stenosis)
- Transforaminal Endoscopic Lumbar Decompression
- Adjacent segment disease following fusion
- Persistent or recurrent lumbar pain after surgery/failed chronic pain management
- Nerve root injury (traction, thermal, or direct surgical trauma)
- Dural tear/cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) leak
- Infection (discitis, osteomyelitis, post-operative wound infection)
- Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS) following lumbar surgery
- Emergency or elective spinal surgical negligence

Thoracic spine surgery:

- Incorrect-level thoracic surgery (higher risk due to anatomical variability)
- Residual thoracic disc herniation or inadequate decompression
- Instrumentation failure (rod/screw loosening or misplacement)
- Post-operative kyphotic deformity
- Post-operative infection or epidural abscess
- Pulmonary or pleural complications

Cervical spine surgery:

- Wrong-level cervical discectomy
- Residual or recurrent cervical disc herniation
- Dysphagia or recurrent laryngeal nerve injury
- Vertebral artery injury

Mismanagement of degenerate disc disease, including:

- Disc protrusion/extrusions/sequestra
- Osteophytosis
- Laser disc compression
- Axial or central stenosis
- Spondylolytic spondylolisthesis
- Spinal instability
- Discogenic pain
- High-intensity zones
- Leaking discs
- Perineural scarring
- Traumatic vertebral fractures
- Osteoporotic vertebral compression fractures
- Cluneal nerve root irritation
- Facet joint pain
- Sacroiliac joint pain

Clinical Negligence and Personal Injury relating to:

- Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS)
- Cauda Equina Syndrome (CES)
- Endoscopic Foraminoplasty
- Annuloplasty
- Endoscopic Intradiscal Discectomy
- SpineJack Vertebral Reconstruction
- Post-accident injury of the spine
- Gelstix and Kehrfix or Stem Cell Disc Reconstruction
- CT Guided Nerve Root Blocks
- Cluneal Nerve Injections and Radiofrequency Ablation
- Facet Joint Injection and Denerhex

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MEDICO LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Mr Martin Knight is a Consultant Spinal Orthopaedic Surgeon specialising in minimally invasive and endoscopic spinal surgery. He has acted as an Expert Witness for over 20 years and is fully Cardiff University Bond Solon (CUBS) certified. He is instructed by both Claimants and Defendants in personal injury and clinical negligence matters, and provides detailed, balanced, and comprehensive reports on Condition & Prognosis, Causation, and Liability.

Mr Knight takes a rigorous, forensic approach to his medico-legal work, applying his extensive surgical expertise and root-cause analysis of spinal pain to produce clear, evidence-based opinions.

He has prepared expert reports in more than 500 cases, covering a wide range of spinal pathology and surgical issues, including mismanagement of degenerative disc disease, Cauda Equina Syndrome (CES), Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS), delayed diagnosis, complications of minimally invasive and endoscopic spinal procedures, and failures of lumbar, thoracic, and cervical spinal surgery.

Mr Knight is experienced in joint expert discussions and can provide oral evidence in court when required.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

Mr Knight is a highly experienced Orthopaedic Spinal Surgeon with more than three decades of consultant-level practice. As Medical Director of the Spinal Foundation since 1994, he has been at the forefront of advancing minimally invasive and endoscopic spinal surgery, pioneering techniques that have since been adopted globally.

He has performed over 10,000 endoscopic minimally invasive spinal procedures, using real-time patient feedback to accurately identify and treat the true sources of spinal and referred pain. His clinical practice encompasses the full spectrum of degenerative cervical, thoracic, and lumbar disorders, spinal stenosis, nerve compression, and complex failed back surgery cases.

Mr Knight is widely recognised as an innovator in the field. He has developed multiple endoscopic instrument systems and advanced techniques, including Transforaminal Endoscopic Lumbar Decompression and Foraminoplasty, which allow long-term treatment of disc prolapse, foraminal narrowing, post-operative scarring, and spinal instability without the need for open surgery, fusion, or disc replacement. His ongoing work includes cutting-edge research into stem cell-based disc reconstruction, disc augmentation polymers, and keyhole approaches to spinal decompression and disc repair.

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