



MS JANE BENNETT

COURT OF PROTECTION DEPUTY & EXPERT WITNESS

EXPERT INFORMATION

Claimant age: 18+

Report turnaround 4-6 weeks

Remote appointments

REPORT RATIO



70% Claimant
30% Defendant




100% Clin Neg

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CURRENT ROLE:

Court of Protection Deputy and Senior Partner
JE Bennett Law (2012-present)

CASES RELATING TO:

Deputyship cases relating to:

- Financial and care/welfare matters
- Safeguarding of vulnerable clients
- Specialised legal services for catastrophically injured elderly/vulnerable clients
- Professional trustee in trusts for vulnerable beneficiaries
- Costs associated in running professional deputyships
- Power of Attorney
- Community care law
- Advice on contested matters

Expert Witness cases relating to:

- Catastrophic injury
- Clinical Negligence litigation claims

MEDICO LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Jane founded her firm in 2011 and expert witness work became a particular passion. Specialising in helping vulnerable clients who have experienced catastrophic injuries, assisting with some of the most disabled and important members of society. Jane's expert witness work has also led her to referrals for catastrophic injury deputyships, professional trusteeships and Litigation Friend appointments.

Jane is a member of the Public Guardians Nation Panel and also handles Court of Protection applications regarding associated issues such as cost, best interests, care, welfare, and safeguarding matters. She is instructed to act as a Deputy by Local Authorities in large value, complex cases, and is regularly instructed to assist in resolving disputes between family members and the Local Authority.

Ms Bennett also acts as a Personal Welfare Deputy and a Professional Attorney regarding health and financial matters.

She is an Expert Witness in high-value, catastrophic injury cases and prepares professional deputyships, best interests, and professional trustee costing reports for the High Court on the instructions of leading Claimant and Defendant law firms. Ms Bennett also advises on community and social care law and their impact on mental capacity, safeguarding and Local Authority/NHS funding matters.



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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Jane has been a Qualified Court of Protection Deputy for over 20 years. For 16 years, Jane has been specialising in vulnerable client work and is fully accredited by Solicitors for the Elderly. She now acts as a professional deputy (sitting on the National Panel of Professional Deputies) for more than 75 vulnerable clients, with several other appointments pending.

Jane provides advice on all possible types of applications to the Court of Protection, this includes matters regarding gifts and transfers; the impact and implications of lack of capacity regarding other types of legal proceedings; Wills, including tax-efficient Wills; Wills catering for disabled beneficiaries; Statutory Wills for those who lack mental capacity to make a will.

Jane's professional memberships also include: Action for Elder Abuse, Brain Injury Social Work Group, Headway and Spinal Injuries Association, and Affiliate of STEP.

In a number of cases, Jane also acts as a professional trustee for individuals with spinal cord and/or cerebral palsy related injuries.

Ms Bennett regularly writes articles in legal publications regarding Court of Protection and Deputyship issues. She gives talks in professional circles in regard to Court of Protection and community law matters as well as areas surrounding elderly clients and actively contributes to academic research regarding developments of the law in terms of mental capacity.

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