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CONSULTANT IN CARDIOTHORACIC SURGERY

EXPERT INFORMATION

GMC No: 4328445

Will see Claimants 18+

Report turnaround 3-4 weeks

Face to face and remote appointments

EXPERT RATIO


70% Claimant

30% Defendant

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CURRENT ROLE:

Consultant Cardiothoracic Surgeon

Barts Heart Centre, London

CASES RELATING TO:

Clinical negligence relating to:

- Aspects of breach of duty and causation in cardiac surgery
Examples include evaluating complex cardiac surgery and making it understandable for the solicitor, e.g.:
 - Valve surgery where the sizing has been incorrect and adverse outcomes occurred
 - Intra operative complications and whether these were managed suitably or not
 - Was endocarditis (infection of heart valves) diagnosed correctly and what would have been the outcome had the correct diagnosis been made earlier?
- Aortic dissection
Including missed diagnosis and complex causation cases, i.e. did the missed diagnosis actually have a causative effect? Neil has reported on multiple cases in this regard.
- Pre-intervention decision making in cardiology and cardiac intervention
- E.g. should cardiac surgery have been considered before stent placement?
- Consent issues
- Clinical governance, surgical safety standards, WHO checklist compliance
- Serious incidents and Datix incident investigations and processes
- All other aspects of adult cardiothoracic surgery
- MDT related issues, according to current best practice

Neil has extensive experience of helping prepare cases via case conference with counsel, helping to prepare draft letters of claim or letters of response.

Neil also has experience of leading expert meetings as cases progress, as well as writing these meetings up.

Personal injury relating to:

- Aspects of current condition and prognosis
Neil performs a remote consultation first, then arranges local imaging to objectively evaluate the long-term consequence of injuries. A face-to-face consultation is then arranged only if required. This allows for cost savings and availability to a wide geographical area.
- Chest trauma, sternal fractures and rib fractures, and their long-term consequences
- Aortic dissection as a result of blunt chest trauma and the long-term implications
- Cardiac damage due to index incident
- Suspected myocardial infarction due to index incident



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MEDICO LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Mr Neil Roberts is a Consultant in Cardiothoracic Surgery and an Expert Witness with over 7 years of experience, supported by excellent feedback from solicitors and barristers. He has completed Bond Solon training and is instructed by Claimants and Defendants.

Mr Roberts is instructed in cases relating to personal injury, clinical negligence, tribunal, Coroner's Court and criminal cases.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

Mr Roberts is currently a substantive cardiothoracic consultant with over 10 years of consultant practice, working within the NHS and privately and has performed more than 1,500 open-heart operations. He passed the FRCS (C-Th) during his fourth year of training in 2008, winning the McCormack Medal for the highest score in the UK and Ireland for that year.

Mr Roberts is also a teacher and trainer, being a faculty member for a number of national and international courses. He was elected as postgraduate Dean by the Society for Cardiothoracic Surgery in 2019 and a full College of Surgeons Examiner for the FRCS (C-Th). He was also Clinical Governance Lead for cardiac surgery at Bart's Heart Centre for over four years.