



**DR MATTHEW CASTLE**  
MBBS, MRCP, MRCPSYCH, FRCPSYCH

## PSYCHIATRIST AND NEUROPSYCHIATRIST

### EXPERT INFORMATION

GMC No: 4028123  
Claimant age: 18+  
Report turnaround 4 - 6 weeks  
Face to face assessments  
Court experience

### EXPERT RATIO



70% Claimant  
30% Defendant



50% Clin Neg  
50% PI

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## CURRENT ROLE:

**Consultant in Neuropsychiatry**  
Broomfield Hospital, Essex  
(2002 - Present)

## CASES RELATING TO:

- Neurological disorders:
  - Functional Neurological Disorder (FND)
  - ADHD
  - Aspergers Syndrome
  - Autism
  - Neurodevelopment disorders
- Conversion/somatoform disorders
- Psychiatric sequelae of head injury
- Complicated addiction
- Personality/psychiatric disorders, in the context of chronic pain
- Diagnosis and treatment of primary pain disorders
- Chronic pain conditions
- Anxiety disorders:
  - Obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD)
  - Post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)
  - Depression
  - Personality disorder
  - Schizophrenia
- Peri-natal psychiatry
- Bipolar effective disorder
- Drug and alcohol misuse disorders
- Major affective disorders:
  - Anxiety
  - Adjustment
  - Personality disorder
  - Dementia
- Psychiatric impact on parenting
- Capacity of a parent to understand what might be damaging to their children and their capacity to respond to treatment
- General Adult, Old Age and Liaison Psychiatry
- General adult psychiatry

## MEDICO LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Dr Castle has been preparing medico and legal reports for over 24 years. He has prepared reports relating to Risk Assessment and issues concerning the use of Illicit drugs and alcohol, personality difficulties and criminal or antisocial behaviour.

Dr Castle has been reporting for 4 years, averaging 80+ reports per year. With over 1000 cases covering psychiatric and neuropsychiatric aspects of both clinical negligence and personal injury cases. He has a balanced ratio of 50/50 clinical negligence and PI related caseload and can opine on breach of duty condition and prognosis liability and causation.




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Dr Castle has prepared numerous expert reports addressing Psychiatric Defence, Fitness to Plead and the Mental Health Act. Preparing reports in relation to Risk Assessment and where there are issues concerning the use of illicit drugs and alcohol and personality difficulties .

Dr Castle is also developing a civil practice, particularly with regard to neuropsychiatric pain disorders. This is in the context of his NHS Consultant role.

## CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

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Dr Castle became a Fellow of the Society of Medicine in 2020. As a Consultant Psychiatrist at the North Essex Partnership Foundation NHS Trust, he was the Clinical Lead for a team of 50 clinicians and was responsible for assessing all acute psychiatry presentations.

He later moved to a principal consultant role at Chelmsford Priory Hospital, where he regularly treated anxiety disorders, depression, personality disorders, and schizophrenia.

Dr Castle as a Consultant, runs a regional Neuropsychiatry Clinic. From 2021 his role expanded as the Liaison Psychiatrist to the Essex Pain Service, this requires assessment and management of complicated addiction and personality/psychiatric disorders in the context of chronic pain that allows him to diagnose and treat primary pain disorders.