



## Alex Glassbrook

Year of Call: 1995

### Practice Areas

- Civil Fraud
- Credit Hire
- Insurance
- Personal Injury

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### Awards



### Experience

Alex is a specialist in the law of Connected & Autonomous Vehicles (“CAVs”). He wrote the first book on the law of driverless cars in the UK (“The Law of Driverless Cars: An Introduction”), which was published in 2017. The second edition (“A Practical Guide to the Law of Driverless Cars”, co-written with Emma Northey and Scarlett Milligan) was published in November 2019.

Alex practises in all aspects of civil road transport law, including cases involving new vehicle technologies (such as advanced driver assistance systems), motor insurance issues, suspected motor insurance fraud, high-value vehicle damage and hire claims and serious personal injury.

### Directories

“He has a very serene courtroom manner. He can be calm but then quite deadly.” *Chambers & Partners 2020*

“His grasp of the smallest details in a case can often be the making of your strategy.” *Legal 500 2020*

“He is skilled in handling digital evidence and technology development issues. “He’s very well known and his pleadings are excellent”.” *Chambers & Partners 2019*

Leading junior for insurance fraud work, “expert in the trial of allegedly fraudulent claims ...”. *Legal 500 2019*



"Very proactive, efficient and highly knowledgeable." "He has a very great knowledge of the area we deal with and is a true expert." *Chambers & Partners 2018*

"Particularly noted for insurance fraud cases involving criminal networks and electronic evidence" *Legal 500 2017*

"Prompt, detailed and comprehensive in his advices" *Chambers and Partners 2017*

"A standout barrister" *Legal 500 2016*

"The most forensic advocate" *Legal 500 2015*

"A commercial, tactically aware barrister whose advocacy skills are first-class." "He has a deep understanding of all the issues, and is good for a tricky case." *Chambers and Partners 2015*

"Meticulous ... Fearless in challenging his opponents" *Legal 500 2014*

"Capable, firm and very calm, he provides fabulous analysis of the case." *Chambers and Partners 2014*

"According to one peer Alex Glassbrook of Temple Garden Chambers "is really straightforward, utterly fair and a doughty opponent with incredibly good judgement." He regularly advises insurance companies and has particular expertise in credit hire cases. One source said: "If you are against him you have to think twice about how you are going to run the case"." *Chambers & Partners 2013*

"Alex Glassbrook of Temple Garden Chambers is considered by peers to be "a very fair-minded advocate. He's a thorough and economic cross-examiner who knows when to concede and when to dig in"." *Chambers & Partners 2012*

### **Education**

Bristol University (BA (Hons) English Literature, 1993)

The City University (CPE Diploma in Law, 1994)

The Inns of Court School of Law (Bar Finals, 1995)

King's College, University of London (Diploma in European Community Law, 2001)

### **Memberships**

Personal Injuries Bar Association

The Inns of Court College of Advocacy (ICCA)

## Cases

### **Bus Company accepts 99% liability settlement of cyclist's claim**

12/09/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook (instructed by Kevin O'Sullivan of Cycle Legal) was counsel for the Claimant cyclist, who was seriously injured by a bus driven across his path on a marked cycle lane, on the approach to a bus stop.

The case raised the duty of care owed by bus drivers to cyclists where a cycle lane meets a bus stop. CCTV evidence supported the cyclist's case that the bus attempted to overtake the cyclist and pull into the bus stop too rapidly, without keeping sufficient lookout for cyclists proceeding properly on the cycle lane to its left. The same evidence contradicted the bus driver's contention that the cyclist had attempted to undertake the bus.

The Defendant bus company accepted the Claimant's longstanding 99% liability offer in the Claimant's favour, days before the liability trial was due to start in the High Court.

Counsel: Alex Glassbrook, previous counsel Marcus Grant.

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### **Fraudulent Credit Hire Claim: Insurer succeeds in its claim for damages for deceit, indemnity against dishonest driver and declarations of non-cover**

2 May 2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook (instructed by Andrew Baker of Horwich Farrelly) represented the successful motor insurer. A claim for credit hire charges exceeding £80,000 had been claimed in relation to a vehicle allegedly damaged beyond use in a road traffic accident, and judgment had been obtained on that claim against the allegedly insured driver, without notice to his insurer.

Investigation by the insurer showed that the allegedly unroadworthy car had continued to be driven significant distances and had passed MOT tests during the hire period, so contradicting the alleged need to hire a substitute.

The insurer served documents showing that the vehicle of the allegedly negligent driver had been disposed of by its insured before the start of the relevant period of insurance, so was not insured by it at the time of the accident, and showed that the former claimant's solicitor had failed to give it the notice required to trigger its compulsory insurance obligations under the Road Traffic Act.

The insurer made its own claim in deceit against the driver and obtained default judgment after the driver stated that he would serve a defence then failed to do so. The Circuit Judge was satisfied that the representations made by the claimant driver as to the credit hire claim had been entirely false. The Judge applied CPR 3.10 to correct the procedural error whereby default judgment for the insurer had been obtained by request instead of application and upheld the insurer claimant's default judgment on the claim in deceit. The declarations of non-cover and an indemnity against any liability as Road Traffic Act insurer were allowed and the Judge assessed as damages the claimant insurer's in-house expenses and legal costs of investigating and dealing with the dishonest claim. The Judge awarded the claimant insurer its costs of the present proceedings, summarily assessed on the indemnity basis. The Judge was critical of the driver's solicitors for their conduct of the underlying claim.

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### **Reduction of care and case management charges in brain injury case (October 2017)**

October 2017

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook (instructed by Gurbir Thethy of DWF, London) represented the Defendant to a serious brain injury claim at a joint settlement meeting. Among the issues were the levels of care and case management charges, claimed for life, the Claimant's care needs on the facts of the case and the quality of the case management services actually provided. The claim (which had been pleaded at £4.6 million) settled at a much-reduced sum, in part by applying *Loughlin v Singh* [2013] EWHC 1641 (QB) to the case management charges.

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## **High Court approves settlement of brain injury claim with “stop start” provision for Court of Protection costs - (Brain Injury) - 21.06.16**

30/06/2016

Barristers involved: Marcus Grant Alex Glassbrook

Claim by a middle aged man who sustained a severe traumatic brain injury in a running down accident.

Claimant found to lack capacity to litigate or manage affairs and Deputy appointed by Court of Protection. However, agreed between parties that Claimant's future capacity might fluctuate, so leading to possible cessation of Court of Protection costs and even subsequent resumption at as yet unknown times.

Judgment of Mrs Justice Swift in *AA -v- CC and the MIB* [2013] EWHC 3679 applied to provide for future medical examinations going to capacity and thereby a “stop-start” device for the Court of Protection charges, set out in Schedule to Tomlin Order.

Swift J had ruled in *AA v CC* that Court could not have ordered such device against wishes of the parties, but that it could approve such device if agreed between the parties.

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## **Alizada v Khan and Ageas Insurance Ltd**

**Bradford County Court (unreported)**

22.05.2015

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

For D2 insurer. Dismissal of a contrived road accident claim with a £50,000 costs order against the Claimant. A 3 year investigation had uncovered no direct connection between the Claimant and fraudulent behaviour but a great deal of other, circumstantial evidence of dishonesty. The Judge, directing himself that all rested upon the Claimant's performance under cross examination, found the claimant to be complicit in the fraud and a dishonest witness, dismissed the claim and ordered indemnity costs against him, £50,000 of which he was to pay within 14 days.

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## **Widlake v BAA Ltd**

**[2009] EWCA Civ 1256; [2010] CP Rep 13; [2010] 3 Costs LR 353; [2010] PIQR P4**

23.11.2009

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

For Defendant. Claimant denied costs of proceedings where, whilst recovering damages in excess of Defendant's Part 36 offer, she had dishonestly exaggerated her claim and failed to make any offers to settle her case.

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## **Hawley v Luminar Leisure Ltd, ASE Security Services Ltd & Mann (nominated underwriter for Faraday Underwriting Ltd)**

**[2006] EWCA Civ 18, (2006) IRLR 817, (2006) PIQR P17**

24.01.2006

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

For D3 insurer of Defendant security contractor. Case deals with vicarious liability of nightclub with control of contractor doorman and defines “accidental bodily injury” in public liability insurance. See also [2006] EWCA Civ 30, relating to expiry of old-style Part 36 offer.

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## **Coles v Greaves & Norwich Union**

**[2005] EWCA Civ 679**

10.05.2005

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

For Claimant: trial judge’s findings on medical evidence in favour of Defendant overturned on ground of insufficient reasoning.

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## **Publications**

### **“A Practical Guide to the Law of Driverless Cars”, 2nd edition, Law Brief Publishing, November 2019,**

17/10/2019

Authors: Alex Glassbrook Emma Northey Scarlett Milligan

You can view the publication at <http://www.lawbriefpublishing.com/product/thelawofdriverlesscars/>

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### **Causation, Contribution and Contributory Negligence in the Automated and Electric Vehicles Act 2018**

20/06/2019

Authors: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook, 2 February 2019, published 19 June 2019 by the Law Commissions of England and Wales and of Scotland Response to the Law Commissions' joint preliminary consultation paper (CP 240) on the law of automated vehicles. Deals particularly with the civil liability issues of causation, contribution and contributory negligence under the AEVA 2018. Quoted by the Law Commission in its Analysis of the responses to the consultation, 19 June 2019, at [pages 87 to 91](#). See link below to Alex’s full paper.

You can view the publication at

<https://s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/lawcom-prod-storage-11jsxou24uy7q/uploads/2019/06/AV068-Glassbrook-Alex.pdf>

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### **Roads to Driverless**

21/06/2018

Authors: Alex Glassbrook

Autonomous vehicles will have profound effects on the environments in which they operate. Alex Glassbrook explores the development of the laws of roads during the century since the emergence of motor vehicles in the UK, and asks how roads and laws might evolve to cope with new species of vehicles.

You can view the publication on our website <http://tgchambers.com>

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### **“Robots on Wheels”**

19/04/2018

Authors: Alex Glassbrook

Alex takes stock of recent news of data harvesting and the Arizona accident, considers a past transport revolution and its policy lessons and makes the case for positive future laws of driverless.

You can view the publication on our website <http://tgchambers.com>

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### **Cyber Car Crime (Article in the Future of Transportation Executive Briefing 2018, pages 5 and 78)**

07/02/2018

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Authors: Alex Glassbrook

You can view the publication at <http://viewer.zmags.com/publication/5c1843a2#/5c1843a2/1>

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## **Streets Ahead (article in November 2017 edition of PI Focus)**

20/11/2017

Authors: Alex Glassbrook

You can view the publication on our website <http://tgchambers.com>

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## **Future Abuses of Driverless Technologies and Counter Measures**

21/09/2017

Authors: Alex Glassbrook

You can view the publication on our website <http://tgchambers.com>

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## **TGC Fraud Newsletter Issue VI - September 2017**

21/09/2017

Authors: Anthony Johnson Paul McGrath Anthony Lenanton George Davies Ellen Robertson Robert Riddell William Irwin Matthew Waszak Alex Glassbrook

Please see link below for Issue 6 of TGC Fraud Update, a publication we have set up with the stated aim of facilitating the sharing of information about decided claims involving issues of road traffic fraud and related matters.

You can view the publication on our website <http://tgchambers.com>

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## **The Law of Driverless Cars: An Introduction**

28/02/2017

Authors: Alex Glassbrook

Law Brief Publishing, 28th February 2017 The first book to consider the likely impact of driverless cars upon the law in Britain – not only upon the laws formed by road traffic accidents but also the changing landscape of data and privacy, roads, crime, employment, insurance and Brexit. It explores present law, the possible laws of a fully “driverless” future and the “untidy transition” period that we are likely to experience soon. “The Law of Driverless Cars: An Introduction” is an exploration of future law in clear, accessible language – aimed not only at specialist audiences (developers, lawyers, insurers, policymakers) but at anyone interested in this exciting field. Available in paperback and Kindle editions from the link below.

You can view the publication at <https://www.amazon.co.uk/Law-Driverless-Cars-Introduction/dp/1911035282>

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## **Driverless Vehicles: Law and Insurance Update**

25/07/2016

Authors: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook reviews the government’s recent paper on the law and insurance of self-driving vehicles, notes some changes of approach and tries to predict the future.

You can view the publication on our website <http://tgchambers.com>

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## **TGC Fraud Update**

09/10/2015

Authors: Marcus Grant Alex Glassbrook Tim Sharpe Anthony Johnson James Henry Emily Wilsdon

Welcome to the inaugural edition of TGC Fraud Update, a new publication from the fraud team at Temple Garden Chambers containing a number of articles on legal matters relevant to insurance fraud practitioners and a digest of recent noteworthy cases in which Members of Chambers have been involved.

You can view the publication on our website <http://tgchambers.com>

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## **Supporting the Legal Profession in Zimbabwe**

01/05/2014

Authors: Alex Glassbrook

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Alex Glassbrook reports on the Advocacy Training Council's work in Zimbabwe and finds encouraging signs of judicial independence, an active Law Society and a reinvigorated Bar.

You can view the publication at <https://www.counselmagazine.co.uk/articles/supporting-the-legal-profession>

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## News

### **"A Practical Guide to the Law of Driverless Cars" (2nd Edition) Published**

29/11/2019

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook Emma Northey Scarlett Milligan

The book covers key topics including road traffic accidents, product liability claims, data and privacy, and regulatory oversight of automated vehicles.

You can view the publication at <http://www.lawbriefpublishing.com/product/thelawofdriverlesscars/>

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### **New Book: A Practical Guide to the Law of Driverless Cars (2nd edition)**

15/10/2019

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook Emma Northey Scarlett Milligan

Alex Glassbrook, Emma Northey and Scarlett Milligan update the reader, in light of the Automated and Electric Vehicles Act 2018, which was enacted in July 2018. When Part 1 of the Act, dealing with automated vehicles, comes into force it will alter the law of road transport profoundly. The book describes the Act in detail, and addresses the many queries which it generates.

You can view the publication at <http://www.lawbriefpublishing.com/product/thelawofdriverlesscars/>

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### **Plexus Law's Transportation Seminar**

16/09/2019

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

The agenda offers a great selection of current and near-future topics:

- Brexit – can we escape from European Law? – Tim Short, Partner, Plexus Law
- Big Data Analytics – a game changer for the insurance industry – Craig H. (Hollingworth), CDO, Concirrus
- Civil Justice Reforms Update – Anthony Baker, Partner, Plexus Law & Vice President of FOIL
- Autonomous Vehicle Law – Alex Glassbrook, Barrister, Temple Garden Chambers
- Q&A with Panel

Venue & Timings: Radisson Blu Edwardian, Peter Street, Free Trade Hall, Manchester, M2 5GP

1.30-2.00: Registration | 2.00-5.00pm: Seminar | 5.00pm onwards: networking refreshments

To reserve a space for this event using the Plexus online registration facility, please access the link below, or email [marketing@plexuslaw.co.uk](mailto:marketing@plexuslaw.co.uk).

You can view the publication at <https://lnkd.in/e7VHxQ7>

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### **Driverless Law: Alex Glassbrook to speak at World Conference in Vienna**

26/07/2019

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex will be speaking in the "Mass deployment of automated vehicles" section of the conference. His talk is entitled "Some prophecy: the law at level 5".

You can view the publication at <https://www.thefutureoftransportconference.com/en/>

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## **Driverless Law: Alex Glassbrook and Emma Northey's seminar for Association of Personal Injury Lawyers, Monday 29 July**

23/07/2019

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook Emma Northey

On Monday evening [Alex](#) and [Emma](#) will be giving a seminar to the Transport Group of APIL: introducing the law of driverless vehicles, explaining the Automated and Electric Vehicles Act 2018 and examining some future challenges.

You can view the publication at <https://www.apil.org.uk/groups>

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## **Driverless Law: Law Commission on the way forward for Automated Vehicles**

19/06/2019

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

The Law Commission analysis paper is at the link below. If you would like a copy of Alex's complete paper for the Law Commission, discussing how the AEVA 2018 deals with causation, contribution and contributory negligence, and how those issues might be viewed by the Courts, please contact Alex at [ag@tgchambers.com](mailto:ag@tgchambers.com).

See link below to Law Commission.

You can view the publication at

<https://www.lawcom.gov.uk/law-commissions-analysis-of-responses-to-automated-vehicle-consultation-points-to-the-way-forward/>

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## **"Moving Up a Gear"**

29/01/2019

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook describes the relationship between the Automated and Electric Vehicles Act 2018 and the current Law Commission review of the law of automated vehicles, in an article by Rachel Rothwell in the [Law Society Gazette](#) (28 January, pages 21 to 23).

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## **Safety of Automated Vehicles: Law Commission paper published today**

08/11/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook (barrister at Temple Garden Chambers) was among the academics and lawyers thanked in the report for his contribution.

You can view the publication at <https://www.lawcom.gov.uk/project/automated-vehicles/>

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## **Model Law Commission Conference 2018**

23/10/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Big Voice London is a youth charity supported by, but independent from, the UK Supreme Court. It is a legal outreach project helping young people explore the UK legal system, particularly the role of the Supreme Court, and their own legal identity.

The Model Law Commission runs as a simulated law reform project, with each group conducting research, critiquing and consulting to put together law reform recommendations. It begins with a weekend conference on 27 & 28 October 2018 at the University of East London in Stratford. From then on, there will be a weekly session on Thursdays from 6-8pm at the University of Law, Moorgate, and the project will culminate in a final session at Parliament in January 2019, where final recommendations will then be put to top legal policy makers.

The 4 projects this year are:

- Commercial and Common Law: Insolvency Law
- Criminal Law: Offensive Weapons
- Public Law: Driverless Cars
- Property Law: Tenancies and the Rent Act.

You can view the publication at <https://www.bigvoicelondon.co.uk>

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## **Alex Glassbrook speaking at Westminster Insight's Connected and Autonomous Vehicles conference, 7 November 2018**

24/07/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex will be discussing "Priorities for the Regulatory Landscape", with Matthew Avery (Director of Insurance Research at Thatcham Research) and Tim Marlow (Head of Autonomous and Connected Vehicle Research at Ageas).

You can view the publication at

[https://westminsterinsight.com/event/2964/Connected\\_and\\_Autonomous\\_Vehicles\\_\\_Next\\_Steps\\_for\\_Investment\\_\\_Innovation\\_and\\_Deployment](https://westminsterinsight.com/event/2964/Connected_and_Autonomous_Vehicles__Next_Steps_for_Investment__Innovation_and_Deployment)

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## **TGC Fraud Update Issue VIII - July 2018**

02/07/2018

Barristers involved: James Henry Ellen Robertson Paul McGrath James Yapp Matthew Waszak Elizabeth Gallagher Tim Sharpe Edward Hutchin Alex Glassbrook William Irwin Helen Nugent  
Please see link below for Issue VIII of the TGC Fraud newsletter.

You can view the publication at [http://tgchambers.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/TGC041\\_Newsletter\\_Fraud\\_issue8\\_v1.pdf](http://tgchambers.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/TGC041_Newsletter_Fraud_issue8_v1.pdf)

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## **Alex Glassbrook speaks at the Future of Transportation World Conference - Cologne**

19/06/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex will also be part of an expert panel at the conference, discussing the future laws of highways.

You can view the publication at <http://www.thefutureoftransportconference.com/en/speaker-list.php>

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## **Fraudulent Credit Hire Claim: Insurer succeeds in its claim for damages for deceit, indemnity against dishonest driver and declarations of non-cover**

04/06/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Investigation by the insurer showed that the allegedly unroadworthy car had continued to be driven significant distances and had passed MOT tests during the hire period, so contradicting the alleged need to hire a substitute.

The insurer served documents showing that the vehicle of the allegedly negligent driver had been disposed of by its insured before the start of the relevant period of insurance, so was not insured by it at the time of the accident, and showed that the former claimant's solicitor had failed to give it the notice required to trigger its compulsory insurance obligations under the Road Traffic Act.

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## GDPR and Driverless Cars

18/05/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook will be speaking about data protection and other aspects of the emerging laws of driverless cars, in his talk “Roads to Driverless”, at the Future of Transportation World Conference in Cologne, Germany, on 19 June. Alex will also be part of an expert panel at the conference, discussing the future laws of highways.

You can view the publication at

<http://www.thefutureoftransportconference.com/en/conference-programme.php?stream=3&day=2#programme>

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## Driverless cars

19/04/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook’s most recent article on the law of driverless cars, “Robots on Wheels”, commenting upon recent news of accidents and data harvesting, is published by chambers today. Please see link below.

You can view the publication on our website <http://tgchambers.com>

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## Cyber Car Crime

07/02/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

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## Alex Glassbrook speaking at Future Transportation World Conference in June 2018

25/01/2018

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook will be speaking at the Future of Transportation World Conference in Cologne, Germany, in June.

See Alex’s topic, “Roads to Driverless”, and the list of speakers at this link.

You can view the publication at <http://www.thefutureoftransportconference.com/en/speaker-company-list.php>

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## Streets Ahead (article in November 2017 edition of PI Focus)

20/11/2017

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

As cars with automated driving features are tested on our roads and fully driverless vehicles seem a more likely prospect, legislators across the world have started to write the laws for driverless future.

Many states are starting to consider, individually, the legal implications of the next advances in driving technology. But legislators in the European Union and the United States of America are looking further into the future.

Alex Glassbrook (author of “The Law of Driverless Cars: An Introduction”) examines those two approaches – and the challenge of writing laws for an unexplored, robot world.

Streets Ahead article.

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## **Alex Glassbrook features in the Autumn 2017 edition of St. James's Place's "The Investor" magazine**

09/11/2017

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Financial journalist Victor Smart considers the transformation of road transport by the three "megatrends" of electrification, car sharing and autonomous driving. Victor quotes Alex (the author of "The Law of Driverless Cars: An Introduction") on the expanded use of personal data that is likely to follow – and the need for the law to keep up with technology:

"The government's stated approach to driverless vehicles is to leave current laws in place but to introduce reforms "as we gather real life experience". But lawyer Alex Glassbrook, author of The Law of Driverless Cars, explains that we will be entering uncharted territory, especially in terms of data. 'The app car is set to be the most significant object an individual has for giving and receiving data about themselves, with the volume rising massively', says Glassbrook."

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## **TGC Fraud Update Issue VI - September 2017**

21/09/2017

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## **The Future of Transportation World Conference, Cologne, Germany**

06/07/2017

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex will be chairing an international panel of legal experts, discussing "Determining Liability – Issues for Courts, Regulators and Law Enforcement" and will be speaking on the subject "Future Abuses and Counter Measures". Alex's book, "The Law of Driverless Cars: An Introduction" was published in February and is available in Kindle and paper editions on [Amazon](#) and from Law Brief Publishing.

You can view the publication at <http://www.thefutureoftransportconference.com/topic-autonomous.php>

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## **Alex Glassbrook will be speaking at The Future of Transportation World Conference, in Cologne, Germany, on 6 July.**

20/03/2017

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Please see link for further information : [www.thefutureoftransport.com](http://www.thefutureoftransport.com)

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## **Law of Driverless Cars**

28/02/2017

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

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## **Dismissal of two RTA claims heard together, 10 January 2017**

13/01/2017

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

The defences pleaded that the claimants evidence was insufficient to prove the alleged accidents and injuries, as well as raising the question of whether the claims were also part of a campaign of fraud involving 15 other accidents, showing similar features.

There was no direct evidence linking the claimants to the campaign of fraud (which was pleaded and proven), and the court did not find that the circumstantial evidence proved fraud against either claimant. However, having heard cross-examination the court did find that neither claimant’s evidence was sufficient to prove the occurrence of the accident and of the alleged injury, so dismissed both claims for lack of proof, applying the principles in cases including *Francis & others v Wells & Churchill Insurance Co Ltd* [2007] EWCA Civ 1350.

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## **Update on Driverless Vehicles**

25/07/2016

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook

Alex Glassbrook reviews the government’s recent paper on the law and insurance of self-driving vehicles, notes some changes of approach and tries to predict the future. [Driverless Vehicles: Law & Insurance Update](#).

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## **Dingemans J approves a PPO in a brain injury case with a ‘stop-start’ provision for Court of Protection costs**

21/06/2016

Barristers involved: Marcus Grant Alex Glassbrook

The Claimant had been found to lack capacity to litigate or manage his own affairs and a Deputy had been appointed by the Court of Protection. However, it was agreed between the parties that the Claimant’s capacity to manage his affairs might fluctuate during his lifetime, so leading to the possible cessation of Court of Protection costs and even their subsequent resumption at as yet unknown times.

The Parties applied the judgment of Mrs Justice Swift in *AA -v- CC* and the *MIB* [2013] EWHC 3679 to provide for future medical examinations going to capacity and thereby a “stop-start” device for the Court of Protection charges. Those featured in the Schedule to the Tomlin Order. The Court in *AA* had ruled that such a device could not have been ordered by the court against the opposition of one or both parties, but could be approved if agreed between the parties.

The Court approved the Tomlin Order. The Court also acceded to an application by the Claimant to make an anonymity Order in respect of his identity pursuant to the guidance in *JXM v. Dartford and Gravesham NHS Trust* [2015] EWCA Civ 96.

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## **TGC Defeats Fraudster ‘in business’ of false RTA Claims**

13/05/2016

Barristers involved: Alex Glassbrook Richard Boyle

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The Defendant's insurer also succeeded in its counterclaim to recover an interim payment from the fraudster, with interest awarded at the commercial rate and its costs to be assessed on the indemnity basis. They also succeeded permission to enforce costs orders fully against the fundamentally dishonest claimant.

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