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George Alliott

Year of Call: 1981

Practice Areas

- Civil Fraud
- Employment
- Health & Safety
- Inquests
- Personal Injury
- Product Liability
- Professional Discipline

Public Access

Undertakes Public Access work

Mediator

Qualified Mediator

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Experience

George Alliott is a senior junior with over 30 years experience of general common law practice specialising in Personal Injury, Health and Safety and Employment law. An Army officer before coming to the Bar, he sat as a part time Judge Advocate for many years. He currently sits as a fee paid Employment Judge. He acts as a Legal Assessor for the Nursing and Midwifery Council. He is a CEDR accredited mediator.

Personal Injury:

George Alliott has extensive experience of PI/fatal accident claims with an emphasis on industrial disease and accidents (Asbestos/mesothelioma, VWF, acoustic shock, roof falls etc) along with motor vehicle claims. More lately he has undertaken numerous cases involving civil fraud (staged/fictitious accidents) and credit hire. He acts for both claimants and defendants. As an Employment Judge he sits in a jurisdiction that includes the assessment of damages for personal injury.

Health and Safety / Inquiries / Inquests:

George Alliott was appointed as a fee paid Employment Judge in 2010, a jurisdiction that hears appeals against prohibition and improvement notices issued under the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974. He was instructed as counsel for English, Welsh and Scottish Railways Ltd in the 1999 Southall Rail Crash Public Inquiry and for ATOC and later the Strategic Rail Authority in the 2000 Ladbroke Grove Crash Public Inquiry. As well as advisory and drafting work, he has acted for both the

prosecution and defence in H & S prosecutions by the HSE and local consumer protection services. In 2004 he prosecuted B & Q Plc for H & S offences arising out of a customer fatality at one of its stores leading to the then largest fine for retail premises (£750,000). In 2010 he successfully prosecuted a businessman for H & S offences arising out of a near fatal crushing accident in an industrial setting. He has extensive experience of appearing at Inquests arising out of deaths on the Railways, in the workplace and in Custody.

Employment:

George Alliott was appointed as a fee paid Employment Judge in 2010. He sat for many years in Birmingham and currently sits at Watford. As well as advisory and drafting work, he appears regularly in Employment Tribunals nationwide. He has experience in appearing in the appellate courts in employment matters (EAT London and Edinburgh, Court of Appeal). His clients have included large employers (e.g. Train Operating Companies, BT, Pertemps Group, Balfour Beatty) and Local Authorities (e.g. Luton BC, Bournemouth CC, Devon Probation service). He has conducted cases involving unfair dismissal, all the discriminations, harassment / victimisation, TUPE and numerous other employment based claims. He has litigated many contractual disputes, for example unpaid salary / bonus, notice periods, restraint of trade clauses and stress at work. He frequently advises upon and seeks interim injunctions in matters of non competition / misappropriation of employer's property.

General Common Law, Contract and Tort:

George Alliott has conducted a wide range of general Contract and Tortious cases including sale of goods, construction, professional negligence, insurance and consumer credit. (Examples being: Defective air pumps on garage forecourts; failed glazing on Hexham shopping centre; medical negligence; Insurance claim arising out of flooding in Littlehampton; advising the finance and leasing association on industry standard T&Cs). He has acted in many applications for interim injunctions and freezing orders.

Regulatory:

George Alliott currently acts as a Legal Assessor for the Nursing and Midwifery Council at its professional conduct hearings. He has undertaken this task for many years. He has also acted as a Legal Assessor for the Institute of Chartered Accountants, the General Osteopathic Council, the General Optical Council and the Farriers Registration Council.

Appointments

Fee paid Employment Judge (2010 to date)
Deputy Judge Advocate (1994 to date)

Education

LLB(Warwick)

Memberships

London Commercial and Common Law Bar Association
Employment Bar Association
Health and Safety Lawyers Association
SE Circuit

Cases

UKIP v Mobile Advans

April 2015

Barristers involved: George Alliot

Obtaining a freezing injunction for a political party arising out of a failure to supply advertising vans during the election campaign

JBARCO Investments v OMAR

March 2015

Barristers involved: George Alliot

Obtaining a freezing injunction / Summary judgment / Bankruptcy proceedings arising out of a commercial oil contract and guarantee worth £750,000.

Rickhuss v Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd

September 2012

Barristers involved: George Alliot

A test case on behalf of 2,000 employees. TUPE transfer, employment terms and conditions, holiday entitlement, construction of contract and jurisdiction.

Allison v London Underground Ltd

[2008] All ER (D) 185 CA

2008

Barristers involved: George Alliot

Whether there is absolute liability as regards the duty to provide training under H & S Regulations

Ellis v Environment Agency

[2008] All ER (D) 163 CA

2008

Barristers involved: George Alliot
Causation and intervening act

R V B&Q PLC
[2005] All ER 153 (D) CA
2005

Barristers involved: George Alliot
Prosecution of a retail store arising out of the death of a customer who was crushed by a fork lift truck. Cost apportionment.

White v ESAB Group (UK) Limited
[2002] All ER (D) 02 QBD
2002

Barristers involved: George Alliot
Asbestosis - liability and quantum of damages

O'Loughlin v Cape Distribution Limited
[2001] All ER (D) 87 CA
2001

Barristers involved: George Alliot
Fatal accident - Quantification of damages where the deceased earned his living by a combination of capital and labour.

News

Elliott Johnson Inquest
01/06/2016

Barristers involved: George Alliot
The case involved allegations of bullying against, amongst others, Mark Clarke, the so called 'Tatler Tory'. Mark Clarke was not connected to CWF. Recording a verdict of suicide, the Coroner made a clear finding that there was no connection between Elliott's redundancy notice and the altercation with Mark Clarke and his ensuing complaint to Conservative Central HQ.

Pre-Inquest Hearing concerning the death of Elliott Johnson
02/03/2016

Barristers involved: George Alliot
At the recent Pre-Inquest Hearing on 2 March 2016 concerning the death of Elliott Johnson, allegedly bullied by the 'Tatler Tory' Mark Clarke, George Alliot represented Conservative Way Forward Ltd, Elliott's erstwhile employer and therefore an 'interested person' at the invitation of the Coroner
