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Adam Gadd has a common law background and undertakes a wide range of civil litigation. His practice includes expertise in personal injury, business and commercial, property, building and construction and costs law. He is regularly instructed in these practice areas both in an advisory capacity and as an advocate in the civil courts and tribunals at all levels.

He has appeared before a variety of courts and tribunals including Employment Tribunals, Land Registry and Property Tribunals, the High Court, Court of Appeal and Courts-Martial.

Adam acts for a variety of small and medium-sized businesses and individuals as well as in high-value cases involving large multinational organisations and local authorities. He has particular expertise in personal injury fraud cases and has acted for both claimants and insurers in such cases. He regularly gives seminars and publishes articles on his areas of expertise.

## Personal Injury

Adam Gadd specialises in all types of personal injury litigation with a particular emphasis on injury and damages arising out of road traffic accidents. Mr Gadd appears on behalf of both claimants and defendants and regularly appears in cases where allegations of fraud have been pleaded and issues of exaggerated injury, fraudulent damage and phantom passengers arise.

He has been involved in cases before the Court of Appeal on issues including The Cancellation of Contracts made in a Consumer's Home or Place of Work etc. Regulations 2008 and credit hire claims.

He has published articles and given recent webinars on, in particular, credit hire claims, costs in road traffic personal

injury cases and landlords liability under the Defective Premises Act 1972.

He is the Head of the Personal Injury Practice Group within Chambers and is a member of the executive committee of PIBA.

Since 2012 he has assisted the Editor of the Counsel's Remuneration section of Butterworth's Costs Service.

## Commercial

Adam has a wide range of experience in dealing with business and commercial disputes. He is regularly engaged by businesses and consumers for issues arising out of business to business and business to consumer contracts. He has acted in cases requiring injunctive relief for matters such as restrictive covenants and induced breach of contract.

His practice in this area encompasses commercial contracts, commercial property disputes, civil fraud, consumer law, economic torts, costs and damages. He regularly acts across a range of sectors including the motor, construction and mobile phone industries.

Mr Gadd has also acted in the past on behalf of businesses involved in regulatory issues including in criminal prosecutions under environmental and trading standards legislation.

## Property Law

Adam acts in a wide range of property disputes including real estate transactions and commercial and residential landlord and tenant issues. He regularly advises landlords, tenants, landowners and developers on matters such as, leasehold enfranchisement, leasehold disputes whether business or residential including variation and interpretation, procedural aspects of property litigation, easements and tortious actions arising out of land. He has substantial experience in civil fraud cases particularly in relation to commercial leasehold matters and acts at short notice in cases requiring tight notice such as injunctive relief and requests for landlord's consent.

He has acted for and against estate agents in actions including commission on conveyances and leasehold renewals. He has particular expertise in professional negligence actions against conveyancers.

He is a speaker at Pump Court Chambers Annual Property Seminar and records webinars for Lexis Nexis on commercial property issues.

## Building & Construction

Adam's practice is also complemented by his expertise in construction disputes. He is assisted by his knowledge in the overlapping areas of property, regulatory and business and commercial law. Renowned for his skills as an advocate, Adam always commands the respect and attention of the Court. He has the ability to organise and absorb large amounts of technical detail and present the case in the best interests of his clients. He accepts instructions from contractors, public bodies, insurers and leading construction companies as well as large corporations in various fields. His practice ranges from complex technical disputes to claims arising under the standard forms of building contracts.

## Regulatory & Disciplinary

Throughout his career Adam has acted in a number of cases involving regulatory law including workplace disciplinary hearings, criminal regulatory trials and prison law and parole applications. He has prosecuted and defended in the criminal courts where criminal breaches of regulations are alleged including under the food hygiene, environmental protection and trading standards legislation.

He has acted on behalf of individuals where allegations of professional misconduct have been made before a wide variety of tribunals.

## Transport Law

Adam has experience in criminal, regulatory and civil transport matters. He has prosecuted and defended a range of road traffic offences including drink driving, licence and insurance allegations before both the Crown and Magistrates courts. He is well versed in the penalty points regime and has a thorough grasp of the key issues that regularly arise in such prosecutions. He has acted in cases involving the Construction and Use regulations as well as in prosecutions for trading standards offences.

He is regularly instructed by the motor industry in cases brought in the employment tribunals and has a thorough grasp of the civil law in relation to road traffic accidents both in terms of liability for such accidents and the damages that run from them. He has specific expertise in cases where allegations of fraud have been pleaded in civil actions and where issues of exaggerated injury, fraudulent damage and phantom passengers arise.

## Civil Fraud

Adam has a large amount of experience in litigating civil fraud claims and is frequently instructed where allegations of dishonesty are made or intimated. His fraud practice includes typical motor insurance and other personal injury fraud (low velocity impact, staged accidents, phantom passenger claims, fundamental dishonesty) as well as actions for deceit, breach of fiduciary duty and committals arising out of court proceedings.

He regular acts in cases where surveillance evidence is deployed and is well versed in testing the legitimacy of such evidence and the costs consequences that flow from it.

Having previously practiced criminal law and acted in fraud trials he has a thorough understanding of the multi-disciplinary nature of fraud cases from preliminary investigation to enforcement of court orders.

## Qualifications

- Graduate Diploma in Law, Nottingham Law School (2003)
- MA (Hons) History & Politics, University of Glasgow (2001)

## Professional associations

- Association of Regulatory & Disciplinary Lawyers
- Employment Law Bar Association
- Personal Injury Bar Association

## Publications

- Assistant Editor Butterworth's Costs Service (Counsel's Remuneration) (2012-)
- Contributor to PI Brief Update Law Journal