



Jake Rowley

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Jake Rowley has a strong common law practice in line with Chambers' areas of expertise, with a particular focus on personal injury, commercial, insurance, and education law.

He is instructed to appear in court on a daily basis representing both Claimants and Defendants in the full range of interim hearings including applications and costs and case managements hearings, and at trial. Jake is regularly instructed in cases proceeding on the Fast and Multi Tracks.

Jake also has a busy paperwork practice and is happy to accept instructions to advise on liability, quantum, evidence, procedural issues, and tactics, as well as drafting statements of case and settling schedules of loss.

Before coming to the Bar, Jake spent 18 months as a County Court Advocate during which time he dealt with a broad array of matters including, inter alia: personal insolvency in the High Court; residential and commercial property disputes; housing matters; consumer credit cases; and enforcement proceeding. Jake continues to accept instructions in these areas of law.

Jake is also qualified to accept work directly from members of the public under the Public Access Scheme.

Commercial

Jake represents individuals, businesses and insurance companies on a range of commercial matters.

Throughout tenancy he has gained experience of, amongst others, claims relating to the sale of goods, the supply of goods and services, and actions brought directly against insurance companies. He has been instructed in cases proceeding in the Companies Court.

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Whilst at LPC Law, Jake was regularly instructed in relation to a number of different commercial law matters including those concerning contractual disputes, personal insolvency and property. Particularly towards the end of Jake's time at LPC Law the vast majority of his instructions were in relation to bankruptcy petitions and other associated hearings in the High Court in front of both the Registrars and the Judges. He is keen to continue to develop his practice in these areas.

Credit Hire

Jake is regularly instructed for both Claimants and Defendants in credit hire trials, often appearing on behalf of some of the UK's largest car hire companies and insurers. He has a strong and successful practice in this area, often dealing with cases allocated to the Fast Track and Multi Track on account of the level of credit hire involved.

He is comfortable with the full complement of arguments commonly raised in such litigation including technical legal arguments concerning enforceability on the basis of the Consumer Credit legislation. Jake is able to deploy or resist all of the relevant arguments as and when required in order to secure the best result for his client.

Jake ensures that he is up to date with the most recent authorities in this continually developing area of law and his advice on credit hire issues is often sought out by other practitioners. He has provided training to solicitors concerning updates to credit hire and tactics.

Inquests

Jake has an interest in inquest work and was able to gain experience of the same during his pupillage. He is keen to continue to develop this area of his practice in tenancy.

Insurance

Jake is regularly instructed in cases with insurance law issues, particularly those arising in relation to motor vehicles. He has experience of appearing in matters involving the Motor Insurers' Bureau.

Jake's previous written work in this area has included advising on the development of the wording of the various Motor Insurers' Bureau Untraced Drivers Agreements in force since 1972, specifically whether such wording permitted the recovery of interest on damages.

Jake has also been instructed to advise on the interpretation of contracts of insurance and on issues of agency arising in an insurance context

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Personal Injury

Jake has a busy personal injury practice encompassing the full spectrum of personal injury work. Jake has significant experience of claims arising out of road traffic accidents, as well as those arising in other contexts, including employer's liability, public liability, occupier's liability and Highways Act claims.

Jake is instructed to appear in claims allocated to the Fast Track both at trial and in the full range of interim hearings. He has experience of dealing with cases involving allegations of fraud and/or dishonesty and LVI collisions. He is also instructed to attend infant and protected party approval hearings, disposals, and Stage 3 assessment of damages hearings. Jake provides written advice in all areas of personal injury litigation and particularly enjoys advising on quantum.

Jake's more recent work has included: representing the successful claimant, a delivery driver, following an accident at work brought against an NHS Trust under various of the Health & Safety regulations; advising and settling the schedule of loss in a case (worth in excess of £100,000) following an accident at work suffered by a paramedic; acting on behalf of the successful claimant in respect of a fall on the defendant shop's premises brought pursuant to the Occupier's Liability Act; successfully defending a 'highways tripping' claim on behalf of a local council; and successfully opposing an appeal against a costs order following a Fast Track disposal hearing.

Jake is also familiar with, and has provided written advice on, the operation of the Package Travel, Package Holidays and Package Tours Regulations 1992.

Jake has published an article examining and analysing changes relating to the CPR as it pertains to the recovery of success fees in infant approval hearings entitled, "*Recovery of CFA Success Fees and Children*" which was subsequently turned into a two-part podcast by CPDcast.com. He has recently written an updated article on this topic entitled, "*Jackson's Children: Recoverability of Success Fees in Child Claimant Cases*", which is published in the Personal Injury Brief Update Law Journal.

He is willing to consider instructions on a CFA basis.

Sports Law

Jake has a keen interest in sports law. Jake's own high level sporting background as an international fencer and referee provides him with an acute understanding and appreciation of the mind-set of both competitors and officials, as well as the potential difficulties that they face.

Jake is a member of the British Fencing Association's Disciplinary and Grievance panels.

Public Access

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If you would like to instruct Jake Rowley or would like help or advice in doing so, please call and talk to our excellent clerking team, led by senior clerk Alan Kilbey MBE. Our phone number is +44 (0)20 7583 9241. Alternatively, please email us at chambers@farrarsbuilding.co.uk

For more information about our clerking team, please [click here](#) for the clerks page.

Appointments & Memberships

- Personal Injury Bar Association
- London Common Law & Commercial Bar Association
- Education Law Association

Education & Qualifications

BPTC, College of Law, London (Outstanding) [including top mark for Opinion Writing on the BPTC at The College of Law (95%)].

LLB (Hons), King's College, London (Upper Second Class).

Publications

Jackson's Children: Recoverability of Success Fees in Child Claimant Cases, published in the Personal Injury Brief Update Law Journal (December 2016).

Recovery of CFA Success Fees and Children, CPDcast.com

Two part CPD podcast following the publication of the below article.

Recovery of CFA Success Fees and Children, Farrar's Building Website, 2015. [Available [here](#)] (An article analysing the amendments to CPR Parts 21 and 46, and their respective practice directions, in relation to the recoverability of success fees charged by a solicitor from a child claimant's damages and the new rule framework introduced to facilitate such payments).

Case law updates for the Farrar's Building Personal Injury and Employment Law Newsletters.

Putin Gets Closer to the "Untouchables", Thomson Reuters Complanet, 2013. (A discussion of developments in Russian anti-corruption legislation and its likely impact).

The Red Army Marches Out of Cyprus, Thomson Reuters Complanet, 2013. (A discussion in relation to the movement of illicit Russian funds away from Cyprus following its banking collapse and relevant anti-money laundering considerations). (One of the top 10 most read articles of the month).

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Previous Employment

Before commencing pupillage, Jake spent six months as a legal researcher at Peters & Peters Solicitors, one of the UK's leading boutique litigation firms. He carried out specific research tasks, drafted conference papers and co-authored blogs and articles across the spectrum of Peters & Peters' practice areas with particular focus on extradition, bribery and corruption, EU sanctions, anti-money laundering and international asset recovery.

Jake also spent 18 months as a County Court Advocate appearing daily in the County Courts, High Court and in the Leasehold Valuation Tribunal (as it then was). Jake dealt with a broad range of matters including mortgage repossessions and related applications; return of goods hearings; charging order applications; various personal insolvency hearings including bankruptcy petitions and applications to annul bankruptcy orders; and residential and commercial landlord and tenant disputes. Jake continues to accept instructions in these areas.

Personal Interests

Jake is a former international fencer having won a Junior Commonwealth Games gold medal representing England. He also fenced for Great Britain at the Junior World Championships and at numerous Junior World Cups.

Jake is also an international sabre referee and at the time of his qualification was the youngest such referee in the world. He continues to officiate at all age levels, both domestically and abroad, and has previously refereed the finals of the Great British Senior National Championships, Junior World Cups, and the Junior Commonwealth Games. His ultimate ambition is to referee at an Olympic Games.

Alongside his involvement with fencing Jake enjoys listening to classical cello music, watching musical theatre and supporting Liverpool Football Club.

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