



## Tarlun Ahari

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Tarlun joined chambers following successful completion of a third-six pupillage under the supervision of Alastair Wright. She has experience in a broad range of Civil Law work, namely Personal Injury and Employment Law.

## EXPERTISE

### Personal Injury

#### **Public Liability**

Tarlun regularly advises on a CFA basis the prospects of successfully bringing claims under the Occupiers Liability Act 1957.

Tarlun is well versed in drafting pleadings such as claims against hotels, claims on behalf of children against local authorities for injuries sustained in parks and other public areas etc. as well as slipping and tripping claims.

#### **Employer's Liability**

Tarlun has acted for employees and employers in respect of accidents at work, such as trips, slips and manual handling incidents.

#### **Other**

Tarlun is pleased to attend Costs and Case Management Conferences in a variety of matters.

Tarlun welcomes instructions to draft Schedules of Loss for fast track matters, including claims of a more complicated nature relating to care and assistance and/or future loss of earnings.

Tarlun has and is happy to advise and draft pleadings on behalf of tenants for injuries sustained as a result of their landlord's negligence.

Tarlun regularly attends Application Hearings for Claimants and Defendants on a range of issues, including applications to strike out a claim; application to set aside default judgment and applications for relief from sanction.

### **Accidents Abroad**

In the past six months, Tarlun has been instructed on behalf of Claimants who suffered gastroenteritis whilst on a package holiday. This includes the early stages of reviewing cases, advising on prospects, conducting conferences with the client and attending preliminary and substantive hearings.

Tarlun has regularly represented those whose flights were delayed by more than three hours.

### **Quantum advices**

Tarlun has advised on a broad range of personal injuries, from soft tissue, psychological, scarring and more complicated fractures.

### **Road Traffic Accidents/Credit Hire**

Tarlun has represented both Claimants and Defendants at trial in claims arising from road traffic accidents, both in the small claims and fast track.

## **Disease**

Prior to commencing pupillage, Tarlun worked for a specialist industrial disease firm. She has been able to draw upon this experience in claims for noise induced hearing loss. She regularly receives instructions to draft pleading and has recently conducted multiple-day hearings.

In addition, Tarlun has started to receive instructions relating occupational asthma and repetitive strain injury cases thus being exposed to a broader range of industrial disease work.

## **Clinical Negligence**

Tarlun gained insight into complex clinical negligence claims whilst working as a Legal Assistant to a silk for 18 months before commencing pupillage. She is therefore keen to develop a practice in this area of law.

## **Employment**

Tarlun has advised on the following matters;

- Advising on whether a prospective Claimant was employed as an Apprentice
- Advising on claims for unlawful deduction from wages including outstanding holiday pay; failure to give notice or pay notice pay; wrongful dismissal; failure to pay minimum wage

- Employment status

Tarlun has successfully negotiated settlement in a claim for unfair dismissal where the issue of employment status was contested.

Tarlun has a particular interest in claims arising from the Equality Act 2010.

Tarlun has successfully represented a Claimant in a claim for constructive dismissal based on breach of express and implied terms of the employment contract.

The breach of the contract included frequently changing the terms of employment at short notice; behaving oppressively and the manner in which the Respondent handled the Claimant's grievance. The Claimant was also subject to a number of harassing phone calls from her employer whilst at work. It was held that the employer's conduct as a whole amounted to a repudiatory breach of contract and the Claimant's resignation without notice amounted to constructive dismissal.

Tarlun successfully defended a claim of unfair dismissal. She represented a small independent charity who had dismissed their Manager due to the anticipated reduction in funding. The Manager brought a claim for unfair dismissal as he contested the Respondent's assertions that his role had become redundant.

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