# Andrew Ward

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## Appointments

- Attorney General's Regional Panel of Junior Counsel to the Crown: 2012 – 2018
- Attorney General's Regional 'A' Panel of Junior Counsel to the Crown: 2018 to 2028

### Memberships

- Northern Circuit
- Personal Injuries Bar Association
- Northern Business and Property Bar Association

## Education

- St. Bede's College, Manchester (1988 1995)
- B.C.L., M.A. (Oxon) (Jesus College, Oxford University)
- Astbury Scholar (Middle Temple, 2000)
- Winner of the Middle Temple Rosamund Smith Mooting Competition (2000)

#### Insurance

#### **Personal Injury**

Andrew regularly advises upon insurance policy coverage issues related to personal injury litigation (e.g.: claims involving the MIB; Section 151 of the Road Traffic Act 1988; Article 75 of the MIB's Articles of Association; and actions involving the Third Parties (Rights Against Insurers) Acts 1930 and 2020).

#### **Insurance** Cases

Andrew's recent cases include:

- WP -v- QBE: Andrew acted as junior counsel, led by Will Waldron K.C., for a Claimant who sustained a severe traumatic brain injury and left-sided hemiplegia when a cast iron soil pipe struck his head as he footed a ladder at work in the construction industry. The impact penetrated the Claimant's skull. The tortfeasor employer became insolvent and the Claimant proceeded against the employer's insurer under the Third Parties (Rights Against Insurers) Act 2010. Damages of £2.3 million were recovered on a full liability basis at a JSM in October 2024.
- Hadley -v- Przybylo [2024] EWCA Civ 250: Andrew advised during 2024 upon the "reasonable security" clause of the Periodical Payments Order in this significant personal injury claim.
- CH -v- LS: Andrew represented the Claimant who sustained a severe traumatic brain injury, maxilla-facial injuries and a spinal fracture when a lorry collided at speed with his car that was queuing in motorway traffic. The Claimant suffered a profound personality change. The case underscored the need for empathy and soft skills when representing the Claimant and family in a serious TBI case. In addition to that, damages of £1.8 million were recovered at a JSM in September 2024. A complicated insurance point arose concerning an income protection policy provided by the Claimant's employer prior to the accident. In addition to the settlement sum of £1.8 million, the Claimant will benefit from the income protection insurance policy that will pay 75% of his basic salary until the age of 65 years.

#### Recommendations

Band 2 – Personal Injury Chambers and Partners 2025

"Andrew is extremely knowledgeable in respect of military claims with a keen interest and understanding in non-freezing cold injuries. He is an expert in fundamental dishonesty with great written advice, and he is quick on his feet, friendly and approachable." The Legal 500 2025

"He is pleasant to deal with." Chambers and Partners 2024 "Andrew has an eye for detail and he is quick to identify the critical issues, the evidence required, and the relevant law and case law." The Legal 500 2024

"Andrew is a very clever barrister." Chambers and Partners 2023

"He is excellent." Chambers and Partners 2023

'Andrew is a very measured and persuasive advocate at court. He is never flustered, he is scrupulously polite and he is devastatingly effective. He knows his specialist area of the law backwards, he rarely pursues bad points and he is a very sensible opponent.' The Legal 500, 2023

"He is technically very good, with an eye for detail. He sees the overall picture but doesn't lose sight of more minute detail that is important to the case. He also has a lovely manner with clients." Chambers and Partners 2022

"Andrew is extremely well-versed and knowledgeable in all aspects of military claims. Andrew has an unrivalled knowledge on nonfreezing cold injury claims, and has an excellent rapport and relationship with client's. Their Advices are clear and consistent. They are very good on their feet, particularly in tricky JSM scenarios and in Court. Quick thinking, but with a practical aspect to benefit the client. I would not hesitate to instruct Andrew on any complex injury or military claim." **The Legal 500, 2022** 

"Very strong on military matters and earns the trust of his clients." Chambers and Partners 2021

"Very good both on paper and on his feet." Chambers and Partners 2020

"His work on papers is very accessible, and he has a forensic way of looking at medical evidence in a case." "He is an accomplished junior who is a pleasure to work with and has a keen eye for detail." Chambers and Partners 2019

"Very approachable and able to relate to lay clients on their level and explain difficult concepts in easily accessible terms." "Good on paper and a very good advocate at application hearings." Chambers and Partners 2018 "He is very accessible and good with the clients, and he takes a good common-sense approach." "He is very smooth, very knowledgeable, and always in control." Chambers and Partners 2017

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"A lawyer of real quality. He is intellectually the equal of anybody. He has a wide and extensive knowledge of personal injury cases at the highest level and comes at them with balance, because he represents both Claimant and Defendant firms. Brings an intensity to cases that pays dividends." The Legal 500, 2021

"Responsive, available and has great attention to detail." The Legal 500, 2020

"Very experienced in high-value catastrophic injury cases." The Legal 500, 2018/19

"He has excellent client-care skills." The Legal 500, 2017

"He has a great ability to deal with problems in a no-nonsense way." The Legal 500, 2016

"He focuses on high-value multi-track litigation, including amputee claims, fatal accidents and brain injuries" The Legal 500, 2015

### Beyond the Bar

Andrew enjoys spending time with his young family. He is a Mansell Patron of Jesus College, Oxford.