



Sara Sutherland

Call 2004



Clerks

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Appointments

- Assistant Deputy Coroner (2011)

Education

- Leeds Girls High School
- Undergraduate Degree: 2:1 BSc (Hons) Psychology, University of Stirling
- Post graduate Diploma in Law at Manchester Metropolitan University, Very Competent
- Bar Vocational Course, Manchester Metropolitan University, Very Competent

Overview

An experienced junior who is instructed in multi track personal injury and clinical negligence cases, Sara has been recommended most recently in the Legal 500 as “*a knowledgeable and confident lawyer*”. Sara prides herself on providing a proactive, engaging, thorough approach with each case and a robust approach with her opponents.

Having been appointed as an Assistant Coroner in June 2011, Sara is regularly instructed to act on behalf of families, medical professionals and health care providers, employers, insurers and care homes. Sara is able to provide advice about any aspect leading up to and including the inquest.

Sara is regularly instructed in cases involving clinical negligence, dealing with cases of surgical and pharmaceutical negligence, dental negligence, misdiagnosis and delayed diagnosis, inappropriate treatment and failure to obtain informed consent. Sara prides herself on her client care skills – she is affable, amiable and accessible.

Recommendations

“Sara has brilliant communication skills and is willing to take on challenging cases.”

“She has an exceptionally good way with clients.”
Chambers and Partners 2025

“Sara is a truly outstanding barrister. She has an excellent knowledge of all areas of the law relating to clinical negligence, and she has first-rate analytical and interpersonal skills.”

“Sara is very approachable and a safe pair of hands. She has strength in all areas of work, is able to provide a good detailed analysis of medical issues, and has excellent client care skills.”

The Legal 500 2025

“Sara is supportive, knowledgeable, excellent at getting the best out of witnesses, and realistic.”

“Sara is a first-rate barrister who is strong in all areas. She has excellent client skills.”

The Legal 500 2024

“Sara is very efficient and uses technology well. She is always available to discuss cases and tactics and has great empathy when dealing with sensitive issues.”

The Legal 500 2023

“Sara displays an excellent level of knowledge, supported by bags of common sense with intuition on when to be empathetic and sympathetic and when to attack!”

The Legal 500 2022

“Sara is a knowledgeable and confident lawyer. She is excellent in handling witnesses and is sensitive and empathetic to their needs thus ensuring that she gets the best of them to achieve the best possible and realistic result for her client. She is sensible and grounded in her advice.”

“Sara is very clear, confident and efficient. She is good with clients and a safe pair of hands.”

The Legal 500 2021

“Particularly adept in inquests involving medical institutions.”

“Primarily instructed on behalf of claimants.”

The Legal 500 2020

“She has particular expertise in clinical negligence cases involving infants and children.”

The Legal 500 2018/19

“Very experienced in clinical negligence cases.”

The Legal 500 2017

“An astute and persuasive lawyer.”

The Legal 500 2016

“She is honest and tenacious, and genuinely cares for clients; she goes the extra mile.”

The Legal 500 2015

“She has a broad practice, with particular expertise in industrial diseases cases.”

The Legal 500 2014

Beyond the Bar

In her spare time Sara enjoys running, skiing and playing the piano.