

## Christopher Limb

Year of Call: 1975



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Christopher practised over a wide area of general common law in the first several years of practice. For over 30 years his practice has been in civil work and for the past 20 years his practice has been almost exclusively in clinical negligence. Christopher believes he brings a wealth of practical experience to cases as well as professional knowledge. He works with many experienced and specialist solicitors, and has excellent relationships with many medical experts. Christopher's ethos is team-work.

Christopher is a part-time judge - in the Primary Health Lists jurisdiction (and its predecessor) since its inception; and more recently also in the Special Educational Needs and Care Standards tribunals.

Interests outside the law include choral singing, wine, walking, rugby and France (sometimes combining such interests!)

### Professional Memberships

Professional Negligence Bar Association

Personal Injury Bar Association

Association of Personal Injury Lawyers (Fellow, and organiser of annual clinical negligence conference since its inception)

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### Notable Cases

*Naylor v Preston Health Authority* [1987] 1 WLR 958 - the case that entirely changed the course of clinical negligence cases and for the first time required exchange of expert evidence.

*Forbes v Wandsworth Health Authority* [1996] EWCA Civ 1318 - a guideline case on limitation in clinical negligence

*Gouldsmith v Mid-Staffordshire General Hospitals NHS Trust* [2007] EWCA Civ 397 - guidance as to practical application of Bolitho rules of causation.

Recent successfully contested 1st instance trials have included orthopaedic surgical negligence, colorectal surgical negligence, epilepsy treatment and brain injury, and psychiatric negligence.

In most years Christopher has several cerebral palsy cases reaching settlement with values (in capital terms) of between £10m and £20m.