

## Kane Simons

Year of Call: 2007



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Kane has a broad personal injury practice, acting for both claimants and defendants in cases involving serious or fatal injuries.

He has particular experience in matters involving injured vulnerable road users such as cyclists, motorcyclists and pedestrians. His cases tend to involve brain injuries, chronic pain or complex orthopaedic injuries. Kane has a specialist interest in accidents involving e-scooters and e-bikes.

Kane is happy to advise on a CFA basis. He is also available to deliver CPD-accredited seminars to solicitors on request.

Kane graduated with a first-class degree before completing a master's degree in law. He has always practised at 18 St John Street and completed pupillage in 2009 under the supervision of Mark Laprell and Simon Kilvington KC.

### RECENT CASES

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(2023 – ongoing): Acts for the rider of an electric scooter who was struck by a car, causing him to sustain brain injuries. Liability and quantum remain in dispute.

(2023) Led by Stephen Killalea KC. Acted for claimants with brain injuries acquired after a road traffic collision. The case raised issues of law involving intentional torts and ex turpi causa. The claim settled at

the door of court.

(2023): Acted for a pedestrian who suffered orthopaedic injuries when he was hit by a car. The claim settled for £300,000 at a joint settlement meeting.

(2023): Acted for a Claimant who suffered a mild traumatic brain injury following a motorcycle accident. Kane advised on liability and quantum. The matter ultimately settled for a gross sum equivalent of around £500,000.

## Education

University of Leeds BA (Hons)

University of Leeds LLM

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## Professional Memberships

Deputy District Judge (Northern Circuit)

Barrister Member, Bar Disciplinary Tribunal (BTAS)

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(2022): Led by Stephen Killalea KC. Acted for a claimant who suffered a traumatic brain injury in a cycling accident. Contributory negligence was alleged on the basis of the manner of cycling and because the bicycle was not equipped with brakes. The matter compromised at a joint settlement meeting for over £2 million.

(2022): Acted for a claimant who fell from a raised platform at work, sustaining multiple injuries. Kane advised on evidence, drafted court documents. The matter settled for a figure of around £270,000 at JSM.

(2021): Acted for a claimant who suffered multiple injuries in a road traffic accident. The claim settled for £500,000 at a joint settlement meeting.

(2021): Acted for a defendant in a claim brought for £1.7million, largely for future loss of earnings and pension loss. The claim ultimately settled for £250,000.

(2021): Acted for a claimant who sustained a fractured femur. The claim settled for approximately £310,000.

(2021): Acted for a motorcyclist with a minor traumatic brain injury. The claimant's previous barrister had refused to act on a CFA due to liability concerns. Two months after Kane became involved, advising on both liability and quantum, the matter settled for a gross sum equivalent of more than £500,000.

(2021): Acted for a claimant in her late sixties who suffered an ankle injury and nerve damage in a road traffic accident. The matter settled for £250,000.

(2021): This was a fatal accident claim involving a man in his late 70s who was killed in a cycling accident. Kane advised the deceased's widow, who brought a claim for pension dependency. The matter settled for £160,000.

(2020): Led by Stephen Killalea KC: Acted for a claimant in a brain injury case for a man in his mid-fifties which settled for a lump sum of £2.65 million and an annual periodical payment of £275,000 – an assumed capitalised value in excess of £6 million.

(2020): Acted for a claimant who developed complex regional pain syndrome ('CRPS') in her arm after sustaining a soft tissue injury in an industrial accident. Causation remained in dispute, with the defendant maintaining that the CRPS was unrelated to the index accident. The claim settled at a joint settlement meeting for a figure in excess of £525,000. The Defendant had initially offered the claimant only £55,000.

(2020): Acted for a claimant who sustained an injury at his foot after a motorcycle accident. He required extensive treatment and orthotics. His claim settled for £175,000 excluding the cost of treatment.

(2019): Acted for a defendant in an injury claim brought for nearly £300,000. Causation and quantum remained very much in dispute. Following Kane's involvement, the claim settled at just £16,500.

