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A brilliant lawyer, hard working and approachable, and a wonderful team member.

- Chambers & Partners

Amanda Savage QC practises across the range of chambers' work, with a primary focus on professional liability claims, insurance and general commercial litigation.

She was shortlisted for the 'Professional Negligence Junior of the Year' (2019) award by Chambers & Partners UK.

Amanda prides herself on providing an excellent level of service to her clients and those that instruct her and her attention to detail, together with a "no nonsense" approach to litigation.

Amanda has particular experience of claims against lawyers (including applications for wasted costs), being regularly instructed by leading solicitors' insurers and BMIF. Amanda has been involved in several high profile lawyers' claims, including the 'Right to Buy' litigation, *GWM v Templeton*, *Williams v Thompson Leatherdale*, *Daniels v Thompson* and *Brown v Bennett* and was junior counsel in the longest ever hearing before the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal (*SRA v Dennison and others*).

Winner of the prestigious Chambers & Partners *Professional Negligence Junior of the Year* award in 2014, Amanda is rated in Chambers & Partners and Legal 500 as a leading junior in the field of professional negligence and has been described as "*brilliant to deal with - exceptionally bright, very commercial and will speak to clients on their level*", "*her attention to detail is second to none and she has a no-nonsense attitude.*", "*she's not afraid to really test her clients and provides sensible, reasoned and practical advice*", "*very good on detail and a fearless advocate on her feet*", "*fantastic on paper and strong in mediation*", "*proof that the stream of talent [at 4 New Square] never stops flowing...*", "*an extremely thorough junior who presents her work in apple pie order*", "*smart and reliable*", "*extremely popular and deservedly so*" and someone who "*doesn't sit on the fence and is hard-hitting and practical*".

"*Very good legal brain, an eye for detail and is easy to work with*" - Amanda is also ranked as a leading junior in the Legal 500, 2015 for her Insurance and Reinsurance practice. She was junior Counsel in *Milton Insurance Ltd v Brit Insurance Ltd* in the Court of Appeal and at first instance.

Amanda is an assistant editor of Jackson and Powell on Professional Liability (Sweet and Maxwell, 7th edition, 2012) and a member of the Professional Negligence Bar Association, the London Common Law & Commercial Bar Association, The British Insurance Law Association and the Chancery Bar Association.

Privacy Policy

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Areas of Expertise

Insurance & Reinsurance

“Amanda has excellent attention to detail and is particularly skilled at drafting pleadings, while also being good on her feet in court.” – *Legal 500, 2021*

“She is clever and incisive.” – *Legal 500, 2020*

Insurance forms a sizeable and increasingly significant part of Amanda’s practice. This area of her practice dovetails well with Amanda’s increasing experience of claims against insurance professionals and her expertise in the professional liability field. She has advised and acted on insurance disputes involving the construction of policies and coverage issues (both between insurers and between insurers and the insured) both generally and in the professional indemnity context, including cases involving notification issues, what constitutes a ‘claim’ and dishonesty exclusions (particularly involving cases of actual or suspected mortgage fraud).

Amanda was recently junior counsel in a substantial insurance dispute (led by Graham Eklund QC) which was the subject of trial in March 2014 and on appeal in the Court of Appeal in March 2015: *Milton Furniture Ltd v Brit Insurance Ltd* [2015] EWCA Civ 671 (decision at first instance reported at [2014] Lloyd’s Rep. I.R. 540)

Amanda has also acted and advised in disputes arising out of combined commercial insurance policies, critical illness and permanent health insurance policies. She was involved (during part time secondments at CMS Cameron McKenna and RPC respectively) in commercial litigation relating to insurance for film finance (contingent expenses insurance) and with the LMX PA Spiral arbitrations.

Examples of past and ongoing instructions include:

- Acting (with Graham Eklund QC) for insured against insurers in dispute involving interpretation of conditions precedent to liability and allegations of breach of condition relating to an intruder alarm
- Advising and acting in respect of numerous arbitrations between insurers as to when a “claim” was made against a solicitor;
- Advising and acting in respect of numerous arbitrations between insurers involving questions of successor practices including in the context of sole practitioners and the effect of ‘holding out’ on the definition of “sole practitioner” and “transition” within the MTC Rules
- Advising in a coverage dispute between insurers and insured, involving considerations of insolvency law and the nature of a potential claim against company administrators
- Defending underwriters in relation to a claim brought by a tour operator involving multiple holiday insurance claims
- Acting for an individual in a dispute arising out of a repatriation and health cover insurance policy
- Advising on policy interpretation in an employers’ liability claim
- Acting in permanent health insurance and critical illness policy dispute

Amanda’s practice also involves acting for insurers in subrogated recovery actions involving property damage. She acted for two businesses in relation to a multimillion pound claim in the ‘Buncefield’ litigation.

Qualifications & Memberships

B.C.L. (Oxon.) LL.B. (London)

Insights

Vicarious Liability: whose liability is it anyway?

20 April 2020

Vicarious liability is "on the move", but how far has it gone? Amanda Savage QC and Nick Broomfield explore the development of the doctrine of vicarious liability in light of the recent decisions of *Barclays Bank plc v Various Claimants* [2020] UKSC 13 and



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MW Morrison Supermarkets plc v Various Claimants [2020] UKSC 12.