



## Gideon Barth

Call: 2015

Gideon has a busy practice spanning all areas of Chambers' work including clinical negligence and personal injury, public and human rights law, inquests and public inquiries, and tax.

Before coming to the Bar, Gideon obtained a First Class degree from Cambridge University where he read History, before achieving a distinction on the GDL.

## Clinical Negligence

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Gideon is regularly instructed in clinical negligence claims by both claimants and defendants.

He regularly advises, settles pleadings and acts in clinical negligence claims across a broad spectrum of medical work. He has experience in high-value claims, complex causation arguments, secondary victim claims, issues of informed consent and Fatal Accidents Act claims.

Gideon also often appears before coroners in inquests relating to topics ranging from medical negligence to mental health issues and nursing care.

Listen to Gideon discuss secondary victim claims on episode 122 of our podcast LawPod UK [here](#).

## Personal Injury

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Gideon is regularly instructed in personal injury claims by both claimants and defendants. These include claims arising from accidents at work, employers' liability and public liability claims and serious road traffic injuries. He

also has experience acting for the victims of sexual assaults.

He often acts in inquests relating to topics ranging from medical negligence to mental health issues, nursing care to road traffic accidents.

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## Inquests

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Gideon regularly appears in inquests relating to topics ranging from deaths in custody, medical negligence, mental health issues, nursing care to road traffic accidents. He acts for families, doctors and other interested persons.

He was instructed as junior counsel to the Coroner in the Inquests into the Birmingham Pub Bombings (1974). He appeared in the Court of Appeal in the associated judicial review, *Coroner for the Birmingham Inquests (1974) v Hambleton and others* [2018] EWCA Civ 2081.

## Public Law

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Gideon is developing a varied practice in public law and human rights law.

Gideon was instructed by HMRC in an appeal to the First-tier Tribunal (Tax Chamber) relating to authorisation under the WOWGR legislation (*Whittalls Wines Limited and Another v HMRC* [2018] UKFTT 0036(TC)). He was led by Stephen Nathan QC and Isabel McArdle.

He appeared as junior counsel in the Court of Appeal in *Coroner for the Birmingham Inquests (1974) v Hambleton and others* [2018] EWCA Civ 2081. He is currently instructed as junior counsel to the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA), working on the Accountability and Reparations investigation. Gideon has a particular interest in Article 2 inquests and public inquiries into historical and contemporary events.

Gideon has been instructed on immigration judicial review claims, unlawful detention, claims relating to discrimination in prisons and articles 2, 3 and 8 ECHR matters. He has worked on unlawful detention claims, claims against the police and claims involving breaches of confidentiality, privacy and data protection. Gideon is keen to expand his practice across a range of public law matters, spanning immigration law, data protection / cybersecurity and tax.

He has added to a wealth of experience gained during pupillage in which Gideon assisted in judicial review claims in respect of deaths in custody, immigration appeals and a number of article 8 challenges. He also worked on group litigation touching on private and public international law, conflict of laws, jurisdictional disputes and claims for breaches of A1P1 in environmental law.

He is appointed to the Attorney General's C Panel of Civil Counsel.

# Public Inquiries

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Gideon is currently instructed as junior counsel to the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA), working on the Accountability and Reparations investigation.

Listen to Gideon discuss Judge led inquiries on episode 18 of our podcast Law Pod UK [here](#).

## Tax

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He also has experience of cases involving MTIC frauds and the 'fall-back' provisions.

## Appointments

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- Attorney General's C Panel of Civil Counsel (2020 – present)

## Awards

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- Inner Temple Advocacy Prize Semi-Finalist (2015)
- Major Scholarship BPTC, Inner Temple (2015)
- Exhibition Award GDL, Inner Temple (2014)
- Ivo Forde History Prize (2013)

## Education

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- Bar Professional Training Course (Outstanding), City University, London (2015)
- Graduate Diploma in Law (Distinction), City University, London (2014)
- BA (Hons) History (First Class), St Catharine's College, Cambridge (2013)

## Memberships

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- ALBA
- ILPA
- PIBA

## Publications

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- 'Blanket doping bans and human rights. Does a blanket ban on Russian athletes competing at Rio 2016 contravene human rights law?' [2016] Global Sports Law and Taxation Reports, with Richard Booth QC.
- 'Judicial Interpretation or Judicial Vandalism? Section 3 of the Human Rights Act 1998' [2016] Judicial Review 99, with Adam Wagner.
- Gideon is a contributor to 1COR's [UK Human Rights Blog](#) and [Law Pod UK Ep. 18 & 122](#).