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Qualifications

LLB (Leeds)

Graham Wood has become involved in the human rights implications of public interest immunity law and the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA). He has also lectured on the use of medical experts in criminal trials and mentally disordered offenders, and has an in depth knowledge of the Mental Health Act 1983. He is a legal adviser to the General Dental Council, and a President of Mental Health Review Tribunals (Restricted Patients Panel).

He is regularly instructed in cases of medical complexity, including brain and spine injury and clinical negligence and judicial review, particularly in the areas of coroners and education and occasionally sits as a Civil Recorder. He has been appointed recently to sit as a deputy high court judge in the Administrative Court.

Significant cases

R v Secretary of State ex parte Hickey and Others 1996 (challenging Home Secretary on criminal case review disclosure)

R v Liverpool City Council ex parte Gumbhir 1999 (challenging street markets policy of local authority)

R v Governors of St Edwards ex parte L 2000 (defending schools admissions policy)

R v Coroner for South Sefton ex parte Hellebrandt 2004 (narrative verdicts in coronial inquests)

R v Governors of St Edwards ex parte Reilly 2009 (defending schools admission policy)

Appointments

Legal Aid Area Committee member
Legal Assessor to the General Dental Council
President, Mental Health Review Tribunals
Recorder
Deputy Chancellor Diocese of Liverpool

Professional Bodies

Criminal Bar Association
Northern Circuit Medical Law Association
Personal Injury Bar Association
Professional Negligence Bar Association