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# C U R R I C U L U M V I T A E

(MEDICO-LEGAL)

### Certificate of Completion of Training: 1st August 2007 GMC: 4306339

#### **Membership Societies:**

AO Spine | British Medical Association | British Orthopaedic Association | British Association of Spinal Surgeons | American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons | Scoliosis Research Society | North American Spine Society | European Spine Society

#### **CONTACT DETAILS & VENUES:**

#### **Medico-Legal PA:**

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#### **Queen's Medical Centre Campus**

The Centre for Spinal Studies and Surgery Derby Road Nottingham NG7 2UH

#### **PERSONAL STATEMENT**

A committed, academic Consultant Spine Surgeon working at the Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham, UK – an internationally renowned centre of excellence for spinal surgery and the largest teaching institution for spine surgery in Europe. Successfully completed a three years tenure as Head of Service (2015-2018) and now serving as Lead for Spinal Research (2018 – present).

Previously a consultant at the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre/John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford. Excellent experience gained during a combined spinal neurosurgery and orthopaedic fellowship in Toronto, Canada, a travelling fellowship to the Johns Hopkins Hospital, USA, as well as five years as a Higher Surgical Trainee in the Cambridge/East Anglia region.

Awarded the prestigious Scoliosis Research Society Fellowship award in 2014 and was hosted across centres of excellence in the USA. Additionally, an award-winning international presenter, author of over 100 publications in peer reviewed journals. Completed a Master of Laws, with an Honours thesis on 'Clinical Negligence and the Spine Surgeon', and completed a PhD thesis in 'Outcome & Health Related Quality of Life Following Surgery in Spinal Cancers.' Furthermore, recently awarded a scholarship from the University of Nottingham Business School to study for an Executive MBA in Healthcare (2021-).

### **CURRENT ACTIVITIES**

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- Writing reports for claimants and defendants (2:1) for the last 15 years
- Expert Witness Skills course: How to avoid the pitfalls, BPP Law School, London, June 2018
- Completed Medico-legal Report Writing Core Skills, Chancery Lane, London, 2009
- Scientific Advisory Board Johnson & Johnson/Depuy Synthes Global Healthcare
- Faculty for AO Spine Knowledge Forum for Tumours and AO Spine Platinum Faculty
- UK Faculty for AO Spine Primary Spinal Tumour collaboration
- UK Faculty of Global Spinal Tumour Study Group (GSTSG)
- UK Faculty for Association of Collaborative Spine Research (ACSR) in Spinal Oncology
- Clinical Lead for Spinal Oncology, Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham
- **Over** Almost 100 peer reviewed journal articles (incl. randomised controlled trials and meta-analysis)
  - Six book chapters/e-publications
  - Research Collaboration with Bimolecular Sciences Division, Nottingham University, UK with supervision of undergraduate and postgraduate students
  - Honorary Professor, Department of Science & Technology, Nottingham Trent University
  - Honorary Clinical Associate Professor, University of Nottingham
  - Multiple awards/grants/scholarships

## **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

# **STATEMENT OF FEES**

- 1.1 Professor Quraishi's fee for personal injury and clinical negligence cases are dependent upon the amount of work required, as well as the complexity of the case and the volume of medical records to be reviewed, and is calculated using an **in-house costing tool**, on a case-by-case basis in line with Professor Quraishi's hourly rate, prior to any work being commenced and ideally once all necessary documentation has been provided.
- 1.2 Only once fee approval has been confirmed by you, will we proceed to commence work on the case.
- 1.3 If any travel is required outside of Nottingham, then all travel expenses will be charged for and included on the invoice.
- 1.4 If a report is required faster than the estimated time given below, then an additional fee may be charged. However, a fee note will be provided to confirm the cost beforehand.
- 1.5 If your claimant cancels an assessment appointment, giving less than 3 clear working days' notice or fails to attend (DNA), a cancellation fee of **£250/+travel costs** will be imposed. Following a second failed attendance, Professor Quraishi reserves the right to not make any further appointments and a further fee of **£250/+travel costs** will be imposed upon the commissioning firm.
- 1.6 If an addendum report is required following the initial report, a separate invoice will be supplied with a fee calculation based on the time taken to complete the additional work.
- 1.7 The commissioning firm must make payments within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. An invoice will be attached to the complete report with the payment details. If an addendum report is requested outside of the 30-day invoice period, addendum responses may be withheld until the initial report invoice has been paid. If payment has still not been made beyond 90 days (from the date of invoice and without prior agreement). the commissioning firm will incur a monthly interest rate charge of 5% (of the outstanding fee).

- 1.8 In the event of a court appearance being required, the fee will be at the rate of **£1,600 per half day or part thereof** and will be charged even if Professor Quraishi only has to appear for half a day or not at all. In addition to this, travelling expenses and other incurred expenses will be charged.
- 1.9 The commissioning agent/solicitor must accept that tentative bookings for court dates are not binding, acceptable or in any way may be taken as constituting adequate notification. A formal request for a court appearance and any request requiring confirmation of availability or the setting aside of dates in the diary, will be required with at least ten weeks' notice. **Cancellation within eight weeks of a Court attendance date will result in an invoice of 25% of the fee, 50% payable within four weeks, 75% payable within two weeks and 100% payable within one week.**
- 1.10 The firm (agent/solicitor) commissioning the report must take full and total responsibility for the fee. Payment of the fee is not to be dependent upon a satisfactory outcome with regard to Legal Aid support.
- 1.11 Court fees are payable within 7 days of the invoice.

### **PREPARATION OF REPORTS**

- 2.1 Professor Quraishi aims to submit the complete medico-legal report back to the commissioning firm within **2-4 weeks** following the examination of the claimant. Expert witness/clinical negligence reports will be returned within the agreed timeframe (usually within **6 weeks**).
- 2.2 For every case received, Professor Quraishi will appoint his own medico-legal secretary to handle and deal with any issues the solicitor may have during the process of the report preparation.
- 2.2 Please send all medical records electrically by contacting abigail.lawton01@outlook.com. Radiology images should be provided electronically, but in circumstances that this is not possible, a disc can be sent please contact Abigail Lawton for the postal address.