Dr Terence McLoughlin

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Consultant in Emergency Medicine | Independent Expert Witness

Civil Litigation • Criminal Proceedings • Coronial Investigations

Specialist in emergency medicine clinical negligence, personal injury, traumatic brain injury, concussion, sepsis, medical causation, and condition & prognosis.

Over 250 medico-legal reports completed since 2022.

Claimant: 70% | Defendant: 25% | Joint Single Expert & Other instructions: 5%

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Expert Witness Profile

Dr Terence McLoughlin is a practising Consultant in Emergency Medicine with extensive experience as an independent expert witness in civil litigation, criminal proceedings and coronial investigations. He has been a substantive NHS Consultant since 2018 and continues to practise within a major tertiary teaching hospital, maintaining responsibility for the assessment, investigation, and management of high-acuity emergency presentations on a daily basis.

Established in 2022, Dr McLoughlin's medico-legal practice focuses on emergency medicine clinical negligence, personal injury, road traffic accidents, traumatic brain injury, concussion, sepsis, criminal proceedings, and coronial investigations. He is regularly instructed to provide independent expert opinion on breach of duty, causation, condition, and prognosis in time-critical emergency care.

Dr McLoughlin prepares all reports personally. His reports comply, where applicable, with the requirements of Civil Procedure Rules Part 35 and Criminal Procedure Rules Part 19, and he understands and adheres to the overriding duty of an expert witness to assist the Court with independent, objective, and unbiased opinion. He has successfully completed the Cardiff University Bond Solon (CUBS) Expert Witness Certificate, providing formal postgraduate training in expert witness practice, preparation of expert reports, the Civil and Criminal Procedure Rules, and the giving of oral evidence.

In addition to his clinical practice, Dr McLoughlin is President of the Emergency & Disaster Medicine Council at the Royal Society of Medicine, Deputy Clinical Director of Research, Group Director of the Emergency Medicine-led Research Departmental Unit (LEDRUS), and Clinical Sepsis Lead within University Hospitals of Liverpool Group. He also holds senior educational roles as Medical Director and Instructor for Advanced Life Support (ALS) with Resuscitation Council UK, Instructor for Advanced Paediatric Life Support (APLS) with the Advanced Life Support Group and is an Instructor for the Prehospital Emergency Resuscitative Thoracotomy (PERT) course at the Royal College of Surgeons.

Professional Appointments

- Consultant in Emergency Medicine – Royal Liverpool University Hospital
- President, Emergency & Disaster Medicine Council – The Royal Society of Medicine
- Clinical Sepsis Lead – Royal Liverpool University Hospital
- Deputy Clinical Director of Research – University Hospitals of Liverpool Group
- Group Director – Emergency Medicine-led Research Departmental Unit (LEDRUS)
- Fellow – Royal College of Emergency Medicine
- Honorary Fellow – Royal Society of Medicine
- Affiliate Member – Faculty of Pharmaceutical Medicine, Royal College of Physicians
- Medical Director & ALS Instructor – Resuscitation Council UK
- APLS Instructor – Advanced Life Support Group
- PERT Instructor – Royal College of Surgeons
- Principal Investigator – Re:Cognition Health UK

Areas of Medico-Legal Practice

Dr McLoughlin accepts instructions in relation to:

Clinical Negligence

- Emergency medicine breach of duty
- Delayed or missed diagnosis
- Failure to diagnose time-critical illness
- Failure to investigate, monitor, escalate or refer
- Premature discharge and inadequate safety-netting
- Sepsis and acute deterioration
- Medication and prescribing errors
- Emergency resuscitation
- Medical causation
- Condition and prognosis

Personal Injury

- Road traffic accidents (RTA)
- Workplace accidents
- Assault and criminal injury
- Traumatic brain injury (TBI)
- Concussion and post-concussion syndrome
- Polytrauma and major trauma
- Soft tissue, orthopaedic and musculoskeletal injury
- Neurological injury
- Catastrophic injury
- Condition and prognosis

Criminal Proceedings

- Assault and serious injury
- Head injury
- Intoxication
- Restraint-related collapse
- Police custody medicine
- Drink-driving
- Capacity, vulnerability, and fitness-related opinion
- Medical causation

Coronial Proceedings

- Death following emergency medical presentation
- Sepsis-related death
- Sudden unexpected death
- Emergency department care
- Acute deterioration
- Coroners' reports
- Inquests

Practical Information for Instructing Parties

- Typical report turnaround is 2–3 weeks from receipt of formal instructions and the complete expert bundle.
- Consultation appointments are generally available within 1–2 weeks
- Pro bono instructions welcomed where appropriate.

- Legal Aid cases accepted.
- Available for conferences with Counsel.
- Available to provide oral evidence in Court.