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Areas of Practice

COURT OF PROTECTION - HEALTH & WELFARE

Adrian is regularly instructed to act on behalf of the Official Solicitor, local authorities, NHS ICBs and family members. He is experienced in a wide range of health and welfare disputes in the Court of Protection. These include deprivation of liberty and best interests disputes with issues as to care, residence, contact, social media and sexual relations.

COURT OF PROTECTION - PROPERTY & AFFAIRS

Adrian also has significant experience in contested property and affairs matters in the Court of Protection and has successfully acted in applications to revoke LPAs and deputyship appointments.

Notable Cases

Calderdale MBC v AB, Daniel Lumb and AnB [2021] EWCOP 56
<https://www.bailii.org/ew/cases/EWCOP/2021/56.html>

INQUESTS

Adrian is instructed by local authorities, families, insurers and care providers with regular attendance at expanded Article 2 Inquests. Adrian has a particular interest in inquests involving deaths in care homes and regularly appears before Coroners in England and Wales.

Notable Inquests

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-5908741/Manchester-grandmother-dementia-choked-death-given-solid-food.html>

CARE FUNDING DISPUTES

Ordinary Residence Disputes

Adrian is experienced in obtaining successful determinations by the Secretary of State for Health in ordinary residence disputes between local authorities. This has resulted in the recovery of significant care costs.

Care Home Fees

Adrian has successfully advised both local authorities and private clients on numerous complex disputes involving care home fees.

Appointments and Memberships

- Solicitor 2005 - 2018
- Law Society's Mental Health Review Tribunal Panel 2005 - 2008
- Court of Protection Practitioners Association
- Professional Negligence Bar Association
- Gray's Inn
- Northern Circuit

Education

University of Liverpool (BA Hons)

University of Law (Legal Practice Course, Commendation)

Solicitor 2005 - 2018

Law Society's Mental Health Review Tribunal Panel 2005 - 2008