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Practice

Gregor has a busy and varied practice in the fields of clinical negligence, personal injury and Inquiry work.

Working for both pursuers and defenders, Gregor is regularly instructed in medical and dental negligence claims, employers' liability, public liability, and claims involving catastrophic injury. Gregor also has a particular interest in the field of industrial disease litigation and is instructed by pursuers and defenders in relation to claims involving exposure to asbestos, noise and vibration. He is often instructed in cases arising from the offshore oil industry and in aviation matters.

Gregor has experience of professional negligence matters, acting principally for surveyors in professional negligence disputes. He has represented doctors and dentists in regulatory matters before the General Medical and General Dental Councils. He has undertaken numerous Fatal Accident Inquiries and appeared on behalf of a Core Participant at a Public Inquiry into historic childhood abuse.

Gregor was a solicitor advocate for six years before calling to the bar.

Representative Cases

X v. A and B Council

Gregor appeared for the second defender where it was successfully argued that no duty of care was owed to a general class of person when allowing 'unsupervised leave' to a child from a residential care home.

B&W v. Sisters of Nazareth

Gregor appeared on behalf of the defender in this historic abuse claim where Lord Weir held that a fair hearing was not

possible owing to the passage of time.

Katrina Barron v. West Lothian Council

Gregor appeared alone for the defender against senior and junior counsel for the pursuer in this Court of Session quantum dispute between orthopaedic and psychiatric experts. The defender's experts were preferred in an *ex tempore* judgement.

Paul Madden v. Duncan Anderson

Gregor was instructed for the defender in this industrial disease case where the plea of limitation was upheld.

Jennifer Troup v. West Lothian Council

Gregor appeared alone against senior and junior counsel, arguing a compromise agreement prohibited the pursuer from raising a claim for personal injury

Lee Birch v. George McPhie & Sons

Gregor appeared for the defenders in this case where detailed submissions were required on the application of the Enterprise & Regulatory Reform Act 2013 following an accident involving 'work equipment'

Anthony Cowling v. Liverpool Victoria

A Court of Session road traffic action where Gregor appeared for the successful defender

Kyle Smith v. Bluebird Buses

A Court of Session action where Gregor appeared against senior and junior counsel alone, the pursuer's contributory negligence was assessed at 85%

John McShane v. Burnwynd Racing Stables

Gregor appeared along with senior counsel in this claim involving a racehorse trainer that fell from a horse suffering significant injuries

SF v. Quarriers

Gregor appeared along with senior counsel in this historic abuse claim dealing with the operation of s19A of the Prescription and Limitation (Scotland) Act 1973