

I consider my professional background suitable to offer expert opinions in cases pertaining to professional conduct; negligence and malpractice; and personal musculoskeletal injury.

I was an inaugural registrant of the General Chiropractic Council in 1999 (GCC:00268) and have been in continuous clinical practice for over quarter of a century, during which time I have conducted over 160,000 patient consultations.

I also have a strong academic background, graduating from the University of Nottingham in 1984 with an honours degree in Physics and subsequently attending the Anglo-European College of Chiropractic (AECC) in Bournemouth, where I studied for a Bachelor of Science degree in Chiropractic for a further four years. I graduated with distinction as valedictorian, being first in my class of 120. I then completed a further year's pre-registration training to obtain my DC qualification; I additionally hold an MPhil from the University of Glamorgan for research into chiropractic management of gastrointestinal neuropathophysiology.

My other active research interests include whiplash associated disorders; craniofacial pain and temporomandibular dysfunction; Gilbert's syndrome; and the effect of laterality on patient symptoms. I have published over fifty articles in professional and peer reviewed biomedical journals, comprising both editorials and original research. I am the author of *Essential Physics for Musculoskeletal Medicine*; co-author of *Essential Musculoskeletal MRI: A Primer for the Clinician*; and was Editor-in-Chief of *Clinical Chiropractic*, an international, indexed, peer-reviewed biomedical journal, and its predecessor, the *British Journal of Chiropractic* for a total of seventeen years.

I have been a lead lecturer in biophysics, biomechanics, neurology, general medicine and differential diagnosis both at the AECC and subsequently at the McTimoney College of Chiropractic, where I was head of pre-clinical sciences for three years. I have also given numerous stand-alone lectures to postgraduate groups and have served as an external examiner at the AECC.

I was elected an inaugural Fellow of the Royal College of Chiropractors, for whom I served as an executive officer (1995-2004). In 2009, I was the inaugural winner of the College's President's Award for outstanding services to the profession; I received the award again in 2013. I was awarded a second Fellowship of the College in 2015 in the Faculty of Pain for whom I currently serve as Honorary Secretary. The Faculty specialises in the post-graduate

education of chiropractors in understanding biopsychosocial barriers to recovery, particularly in chronic pain syndromes.

I was the first chiropractor to be elected as a Member of the Expert Witness Institute (1999). In 2014, I was also the first chiropractor to be elected as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine. I additionally hold Fellowships from the British Chiropractic Association and the European Academy of Chiropractic.

I have completed over 570 hours of Continuing Professional Development relating to multiple aspects of my work as a professional expert witness. This has included the Bond Solon and Professional Solutions courses on Basic Law, Excellence in Report Writing, Courtroom Skills, Cross Examination and Joint Expert Witness Meetings and Reports. I have also obtained a Level 2 qualification in mental health and undertaken extensive additional training in both radiology and radiography.

Since 1998, I have been a partner in a private multidisciplinary practice in Yeovil, with satellite clinics in Crewkerne and Beaminster, having previously worked in Norfolk. All my clinics hold the RCC's quality assurance awards for both patient management (Patient Partnership Quality Mark) and clinical governance (Clinic Management Quality Mark). I personally treat, on average, 130 patients per week in addition to my medicolegal practice and research interests. I also work with a functional orthodontist and a clinical psychotherapist focusing on multi-disciplinary management of temporomandibular disorder.

I have been instructed as an expert witness on over 550 occasions, both in cases of personal injury but particularly in respect of medical negligence and professional conduct and have acted for both complainant and defendant in roughly equal measure. I have given evidence in court, in inquests and, on over fifty occasions, before the Professional Conduct Committee of the General Chiropractic Council and have spent over 110 days in session and over 120 hours giving sworn expert testimony. My full CV is detailed in Appendix I.