

**Year of Call:** 2004

**Practice Areas:** Personal Injury, , Industrial Disease, Costs

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### Profile

Mussadak has been a practising barrister for eighteen years. He is a highly respected civil practitioner. He appears in court in high-end fast track and multi track litigation. His practice is split evenly between Claimant and Defendant work. He is frequently instructed by major Defendant insurers and panel-solicitors in the assessment of damages. He has considerable experience in complex liability disputes, factual disputes, medical causation issues and limitation arguments. He is frequently instructed on CCMCs as well as JSMs.

He has a wealth of experience in personal injury litigation, civil fraud (including fundamental dishonesty and low-velocity impact cases) and credit hire claims. He has a particular interest in industrial / occupational disease work and specifically in Noise Induced Hearing Loss (NIHL). He is proficient in interpreting audiometry, the application of the CLB 2000 guidelines and the LCB 2016 quantification guidelines, diagnosable hearing loss on medical evidence, issues of asymmetry, greater than expected hearing loss in lower frequencies, issues of de minimis and date of knowledge for the purposes of the Limitation Act.



### Away from Chambers

As well as his busy legal practice at the Bar, Mussadak has an active role in public life. He serves in the following political and charitable capacities:

- Councillor, Bowdon Ward (covering Bowdon, Dunham Massey and Warburton), Trafford Council.
- Shadow Executive Member with portfolio of Communities & Partnerships.
- Member, Scrutiny Committee, Trafford Council.
- Member, Standards Committee, Trafford Council.
- Member, Neighbourhood Grants Panel.
- Member, Scrutiny Committee for Corporate Issues & Reform, Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA).
- Member, Scrutiny Committee for Economy, Business Growth & Skills, Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA).
- Member, Scrutiny Committee for Housing, Planning & Environment, Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA).
- Assistant to Sir Graham Brady MP at constituency advice surgeries.
- Approved Parliamentary Candidate for the 2024 General Election.
- Parliamentary Candidate in the 2019 General Election (stood for election in the Stretford & Urmston constituency).
- Former Chair, Conservative Policy Forum (A&SW CPF) (2019 to 2021)
- Committee Member, Altrincham Interfaith Group (AIG).
- Founding Member of Abraham's Tent (in association with Bowdon Synagogue).
- Voluntary Legal Counsel, British Muslim Heritage Centre (BMHC) (a registered charity).
- Former Trustee, Altrincham & Hale Muslim Association (AHMA) (a registered faith-based charity) (2017 to 2020).

### Notable Cases

*Ahmed and Saleem v Doviltiene and UKI*

Instructed on behalf of two pedestrian Claimants involved in a serious Road Traffic Accident in which both suffered multiple injuries including moderate/severe traumatic brain injury, amnesia, risk of epilepsy, reduction in life expectancy, various fractures and psychiatric injuries. Reports were commissioned from experts in eight different specialities. General damages exceeded £100k. Total claim value in excess of £250k per Claimant.

#### *Oppal v PZU & Others*

Instructed at a very early stage in a multi-party fatal road traffic accident claim in which the various claims were pleaded at around £1M. Represented the interests of the Estate of one of the Deceased. Drafted pleadings, schedule, reply and advised in conference. Appeared at three CCMC hearings and successfully settled the claim at the second JSM.

#### *Hobson v Keevil*

Represented the Defendant at a lengthy CCMC in a high value claim. Appeared against Simon Kilvington QC. The Claimant's cost budget was pleaded at over £350,000. A substantial reduction from the Claimant's budget was obtained.

#### *Harvey v Evans*

Represented the Claimant at a complicated CCMC in a high-value claim involving a secondary victim in which Darryl Allen QC had been instructed. The Claimant's cost budget was pleaded at over £250,000.

#### *Pervaze v Ryan*

Instructed on behalf of the Claimant in a road traffic accident, which caused unusual intestinal injuries requiring the repositioning of a colostomy-bag. Drafted pleadings, schedule and appeared at the CCMC hearing at which the Claimant's cost budget was approved at over £98,000. After advising in conference, claim successfully settled in excess of £100,000.

#### *Taj v Tanvir*

Advised the Claimant in an urgent and lengthy conference. Very serious road traffic accident. Internal injuries to several organs. Several medical reports and a detailed care report. Claim potentially worth over £250,000, but prognosis was good. Defendant made a pre-litigation "time-bomb" offer of £100,000 with a tight time frame. Risk of under-settlement. Advised Claimant to reject offer. Claim subsequently settled for £150,000 net of interims.

#### *Noor v Fieldhouse*

Instructed on behalf of Defendant's insurers. Advised in conference prior to exchange of statements. Credibility and exaggeration issues. Trial before HHJ Main QC. Claim discontinued following conclusion of Claimant's cross examination. Claimant agreed for QOCS to be applied and to pay Defendant's costs without there being a finding of fundamental dishonesty.

## Membership

- Personal Injuries Bar Association (PIBA).
- Manchester Law Society (MLS).
- The Northern Circuit of the Bar.
- The Honourable Society of the Middle Temple

## Qualifications

Bar Vocational Course - Inns of Court School of Law (2003-2004)

MSc – Lady Margaret Hall, University of Oxford (2002-2003)

BA (Hons.) (Law & Politics) – University of Manchester (1999-2002)