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Stephanie specialises in regulatory law with a particular focus on large and complex public inquiries / corporate manslaughter and HSE investigations. She is ranked in Chambers for Health and Safety. Her breadth of knowledge across the regulatory field makes her an invaluable source of expertise for clients.

Stephanie has advised in respect of numerous fatal and non-fatal accident criminal investigations in connection with a variety of industries. This includes deaths on construction sites, agricultural sites, in educational settings and in NHS and local authority premises. She has acted in relation to the Hillsborough inquests, the Grenfell Tower Inquiry and the Covid-19 Inquiry.

She assists clients with disclosure exercises for the purposes of coroners' inquiries and police / regulatory investigations and regularly appears before coroners' and magistrates' courts as an advocate. She regularly attends interviews under caution with the Health and Safety Executive and the police.

Stephanie is familiar with issues affecting the HE sector, and clients with large portfolios of commercial buildings and residential premises and has produced bespoke databases for clients to assist them in managing their regulatory responsibilities as landlords, tenants and building owners.

Expertise

Education

Government

Insurance

Featured experience

Construction Client

Defending in relation to an allegation of breach of section 61 Control of Pollution Act notice. Included assisting in the investigation to identify the source of the noise, drafting the response under caution, instruction of expert witness on acoustics and noise refraction and gathering defence witness evidence. Successfully persuaded the prosecution to withdraw the case.

Manslaughter and HSE investigation

Advice provided following the death of a young male who drowned whilst attending a visit to a reservoir with Adult Services. Included advice in relation to the disclosure of documents, data protection issues, the provision of witness statements, press coverage, safeguarding investigation and internal reporting. Representation at Article 2 jury inquest.

Local Authority

Advised and represented a local authority following a fatal fire in a block of flats from police and fire authority investigation through to inquest.

Core Participant in Grenfell Inquiry

Acting for a large contractor during its participation in the Grenfell Tower Inquiry including disclosure review and decisions, provision of witness statements, liaison with Met Police and drafting of legal applications and submissions.

Testimonials

"Stephanie McGarry is very responsive and supportive."

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"She is excellent with the details in a case and has very good organisational skills."

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