



Re: Landmark for privacy laws as 'Mirror' wins Campbell case - national publications - 19 January 2011

Sir,

Not all success fees in civil law are "disproportionate". It is impossible to compare the case of a wealthy celebrity suing for breach of privacy and the case of a seriously injured person whose life has been shattered by negligence.

An injured person may be catastrophically hurt and desperate for justice with 'no win, no fee' his only option of obtaining it, especially if his injuries, caused through no fault of his own, have prevented him from ever returning to work.

Recoverable success fees play an important role in providing access to full and fair compensation for many vulnerable injured people who otherwise might have missed out on getting the justice to which they are entitled.

Yours sincerely,

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