

Essential RTA cases update - spring 2018

Thursday, 12 April 2018
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The latest on what a “vehicle” is for the purposes of the Road Traffic Act

- The importance of *Marleasing*
- The test in *Burns v Currell*
- The one of the user’s test
- The importance of differentiating between road and land

How a court assess evidence in a pedestrian case

- Findings based on CCTV evidence
- Speed

Damages sought for a fraudulent representation of a car crash

- The approach of the court to proof
- The calculation of damages – does it include costs incurred by the insurer?

Stage 3 hearings

- Can a defendant raise new issues in their acknowledgment of service for the hearing?

Vnuk revisited

- The CJEU has revisited the decision recently
- More on “use of a vehicle”
- When is a secondary, non-transport, use of a vehicle relevant?



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Appointed in 2015 as a solicitor member of the Civil Procedure Rule Committee and a member of their sub-committee tasked with rewriting the disease and illness pre-action protocol.

Brett is an active member of the APIL Executive Committee and has been elected by the membership of APIL to be the President for 2017-2018.

He delivers training regularly on behalf of APIL via webinars and face to face courses including at the annual conference and national costs conferences. Brett also tours the UK annually providing the Accidents at Work update course.

He was previously the secretary of APIL’s costs and funding Special Interest Group for three terms.

He has practised as a solicitor since 1999. He has a wealth of experience in representing both private and trade union clients. Brett has written many published articles including for the Gazette and JPIL.

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