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CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: Jonathan Michael James Valentine

Date of birth: 13th January 1963

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GMC status: Registered with a licence to practice.

GMC number: 3139484

Education:

Sedbergh School	1976 – 1979
Scarborough Sixth Form College	1979 – 1981
Leeds University Medical School	1981 – 1986

Qualifications:

MB ChB (Leeds)	1986
Member of the Royal College of Physicians	1989
Fellow of the Royal College of Anaesthetists	1992
Fellow of the Faculty of Pain Medicine	2007
Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians	2009

NHS employment: Norfolk & Norwich University Hospital 1996 – 2016

Private practice: Spire Norwich Hospital, Norwich 1997 – ongoing

Medicolegal practice: Spire Norwich Hospital, Norwich
10 Harley Street, London

Active company directorships:

Pain Expert Limited	November 2013
Dr Jon Valentine (Medicolegal)	December 2013
Excel Medicolegal Training	March 2019
Psychiatric Expert Limited	February 2020

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Professional qualifications: I qualified MB ChB at Leeds University in 1986. I became a member of the Royal College of Physicians of London (MRCP) in 1989 and a fellow of the Royal College of Anaesthetists (FRCA) in 1992. I was granted Foundation Fellowship of the Faculty of Pain Medicine of the Royal College of Anaesthetists (FFPMRCA) in October 2007. I was elected to Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians (FRCP) in May 2009.

NHS Consultant appointments: I was appointed Consultant in Anaesthetics and Pain Management at Norfolk & Norwich University Hospital in October 1996. From September 2001, my NHS practice was dedicated to pain management, which continued until March 2016 when I left to pursue new challenges. The Norwich Pain Management Centre provides a multidisciplinary service with doctors, nurses, clinical psychologists, and physiotherapists.

Private practice: I have been treating private patients with chronic pain since 1997. I remain in clinical practice at the Spire Norwich Hospital.

Experience: I am experienced in the management of a wide range of chronic pain conditions, including those resulting from personal injury, such as complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS), neuropathic pain, lumbar spinal pain & sciatica, thoracic spinal pain, cervical spinal pain & whiplash, shoulder pain, pelvic pain, pain after surgery & trauma, and complex headaches.

Pain Expert Limited: I established Pain Expert in November 2012. This company currently employs six staff to run an office and primarily offers the medicolegal services of 15 to 18 experienced pain management specialists.

Expert witness training (attendance): I have attended a number of courses and conferences including the Professional Solutions 'Medicolegal Report Writing' in October 1998; Bond Solon 'Excellence in Report Writing' & 'Courtroom Skills' in September 2005; Bond Solon Expert Witness Conference in November 2010; Professional Solutions 'Writing Expert Reports: Advanced (Parts 1&2)' in March 2013; Bond Solon 'Courtroom Skills' in August 2016; and Bond Solon 'Excellence in Report Writing' and 'Courtroom Skills' in October 2017.

Medicolegal report writing experience: I prepared evidence for the Court in matters of personal injury and medical negligence for nearly 20 years. I currently typically prepare between four and seven medical reports each month. Most reports relate to the more complex presentations of chronic pain associated with significant functional impairment. The ratio of my medicolegal instruction has varied over the years. It was 30% claimant, 65% defendant, and 5% joint instructions between January 2012 and December 2016. The ratio was close to 50% claimant and 50% defendant (<5% joint instructions) between December 2016 and February 2019.

Courtroom experience: I have attended Court in the UK on ten occasions. I have provided oral evidence on eight occasions: Cambridge County Court in September 2003 (claimant's expert) and July 2019 (defendant's expert); Norwich County Court in May 2007 (claimant's expert); Liverpool District Registry in May 2011 (defendant's expert); and Royal Courts of Justice in October 2014 (defendant's expert), November 2016 (claimant's expert); December 2016 (defendant's expert); Chester County Court in June 2017 (defendant's expert); and Swansea Civil Justice Centre in November 2019 (defendant's expert). I also provided an out-of-court oral testimony (deposition) in London for the Florida State Courts in December 2010 (defendant's expert), and I have given oral evidence to East London Employment Tribunals Service in July 2017 (single joint expert).

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Membership of professional organisations: I am a member of the British Medical Association, British Pain Society and International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP). I am a member of the Society of Expert Witnesses and Expert Witness Institute.

Recent publications: I am co-author of an article, 'Medically unexplained chronic pain in personal injury litigation' published in the July/August 2013 edition of *Personal Injury Law Journal*. I am co-author of an article, "The Medicolegal SIG: a joint personal history and a future direction" published in 'Pain News', a publication of the British Pain Society, in September 2018.

Presentations and teaching: I have presented and chaired sessions at national meetings of the Royal College of Anaesthetists, the Faculty of Pain Medicine, and the Neuromodulation Society of UK & Ireland. I have organised and presented and/or chaired sessions at the British Pain Society ASM on several occasions (2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, and 2017) and will do so again this year (2020). I have taught interventional pain procedures at the Leeds Cadaver Course on an annual basis since 2010.

Expert witness training (teaching): I have established, organised, chaired sessions and presented at annual Essential Skills for Pain Management Experts courses since June 2017. These courses provide pain management specialists with the necessary skills and knowledge to establish and/or expand a medicolegal practice. I have also established, organised, chaired sessions and presented at annual Pain Expert conferences since October 2014. These 1½-day courses provide invited pain management specialists with an annual medicolegal practice update through presentations from experienced doctors (from a number of medical specialities) and senior lawyers.

Presentations to medicolegal audiences:

November 2007: Interventional Pain Medicine Society SIG Meeting (Manchester): 'Pain Medicine Interventions & Litigating Patients'.

May 2008: Kennedys Liability Seminar (London): 'The Medicolegal Aspects of Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS)'.

February 2009: Oxford Medicolegal Society (Oxford): 'The Medicolegal Aspects of Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS)' organised by Darbys Solicitors.

April 2009 & July 2010: Barlow Lyde & Gilbert Catastrophic Injuries Seminars (London): 'The Medicolegal Aspects of Chronic Pain and Chronic Pain Management'.

October 2010: Comercrawley Solicitors: 'Medicolegal Aspects of Chronic Pain'.

April 2012: Organised and co-chaired the 'Medicolegal aspects of Pain Management' workshop and presented at the 'Road traffic accidents: more than just a pain in the neck' workshop at the British Pain Society ASM (Liverpool).

May 2012: Liverpool Law Society Personal Injury Law Conference: 'CRPS'.

June 2012: Norwich Medico-Legal Society (Norwich): 'CRPS'.

March 2013: Eversheds (Ipswich): 'Pain Management Expert Opinion & Evidence'.

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Presentations to medicolegal audiences (continued):

April 2013: Organised and co-chaired the ‘Medicolegal Special Interest Group (SIG)’ workshop at the British Pain Society ASM (Bournemouth).

November 2014: DWF/Aviva (Norwich). Seminar: Chronic pain (case presentations).

April 2015: Co-organiser of Medicolegal SIG workshop at British Pain Society ASM.

June 2015: Faculty of Pain Medicine Study Day: ‘Medicolegal Issues in Pain Medicine’.

September 2015: DWF/RSA (Manchester): ‘Medicolegal aspects of chronic pain’.

October 2015: NewLaw Solicitors (Cardiff): ‘Medicolegal aspects of chronic pain’.

October 2015: BLM (Cardiff + video links): ‘Medicolegal aspects of chronic pain’.

October 2015: Organised and ran the 1st Pain Expert Medicolegal conference exclusively for the pain specialists working out of Pain Expert Limited.

November 2015: DWF/Direct Line (Birmingham): ‘Medicolegal aspects of chronic pain’.

March 2016: NHSLA & Kennedys Law – Chronic Pain Syndrome: The Defendant’s options.

April 2016: Meeting (Norwich) organised by the Personal Injury & Clinical Negligence Team of 42 Bedford Row Chambers for local solicitors – ‘Common Issues arising in Chronic Pain’.

May 2016: Organised, co-chaired and presented at the ‘Cervical spinal injections: kill or cure?’ parallel session (workshop) at the British Pain Society ASM in Harrogate.

August 2016: Keoghs & Liverpool Victoria meeting (Manchester).

October 2016: Organised, ran and presented at the 2nd Pain Expert Medicolegal conference.

May 2017: Organised, chaired and presented at the ‘Chronic post-traumatic pain – The impact of psychiatric disorders’ parallel session at the British Pain Society ASM.

June 2017: Organised and ran the ‘Essential Skills for Pain Management Experts’ course.

October 2017: Organised, chaired and presented at the 3rd Pain Expert Medicolegal conference.

October 2017: Organised and attended a Bond Solon training day for the members of Pain Expert covering report writing skills and witness familiarisation.

March 2018: Presented to Royds Withy King Solicitors at Bath.

March 2018: Presented at Personal Injuries Bar Association Annual Conference at Oxford.

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Presentations to medicolegal audiences (continued):

June 2018: Organised, chaired and presented at the two-day 2nd Essential Skills for Pain Management Experts Course (Part 1 & 2).

October 2018: Organised, chaired and presented at the 4th Pain Expert Medicolegal conference.

December 2018: Presented at a DAC Beachcroft in-house seminar on 'Chronic Pain'.

June 2019: Presented at a chronic pain seminar at 1 Chancery Lane Chambers

June 2019: Organised, chaired and presented at the two-day 3rd Essential Skills for Pain Management Experts Course (Part 1 & 2).

September 2019: Presented to insurers and solicitors at Keoghs' 'Chronic Pain and Emerging Trends Seminar' in London.

September 2019: Chaired session entitled "Whither CRPS?" at the Cambridge Annual Medico-Legal Conference featuring speakers from pain medicine, psychiatry and a barrister from 12 KBW.

October 2019: Organised, chaired and presented at the 5th Pain Expert Medicolegal conference.

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