

## SARAH STEWART

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**Sarah is a claimant lawyer. For the last 15 years she has specialised in fatal and serious injury claims following domestic and international aviation disasters, acting for bereaved families and survivors of air accidents. The claims she handles often involve jurisdictional arguments, issues of foreign law and the application of international conventions.**

### Expertise

Sarah represents passengers and bereaved families involved in headline aviation accidents and incidents across the world; acting in major air disasters, fatal helicopter and light aircraft accidents in the UK, Europe and worldwide.

### Recognition

Sarah is ranked in Band 1 of Chambers and Partners, where she is described as "excellent" and "absolutely brilliant". She is recommended as a Leading lawyer in Who's Who Legal and in Legal500. She is widely admired for her formidable work ethic and excellent client manner, described as "a delight to work with" and "very diligent, dedicated and client-focused".

### Experience

She has represented families in major airline losses including Lion Air (2018), AirAsia (2014), the two Malaysia Airlines disasters in 2014, Afriqiyah Airways (2010), Ethiopian Airlines (2010), Air France (2009), Spanair (2008), One-Two-Go (2007) and Kenya Airways (2007).

In the UK, Sarah was instructed by the family of Orlando Rogers in the landmark case of *Rogers v Hoyle* [2014] EWCA Civ 257 [2014] 3 WLR 148, [2014] 3 All ER 550, which changed the law to enable the use of accident investigation reports in civil aviation claims in the UK. Sarah represents bereaved families of the Shoreham Airshow disaster and has fought for and secured public funding to assist them with representation in the Coroner's inquest.

### Accreditations and Memberships

Sarah is a member of the Royal Aeronautical Society, the Pan European Organisation of Personal Injury Lawyers (PEOPIL) and the International Aviation Women's Association (IAWA).