

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **Profile**

I am registered with the British Psychological Society (BPS) as a Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist, Clinical Psychologist, Chartered Psychologist and an Associate Fellow. I am on the BPS Specialist Register of Clinical Neuropsychologists. I am also registered with the Science Council as a Chartered Scientist. I am registered with the Health Care and Professionals Council (HCPC) as a Clinical Psychologist. Formerly I was Head of Neuropsychology (graded at Band 9 which is the highest band in the NHS) for one of the largest NHS Trusts. I am Honorary Senior Lecturer at the Royal Free and University College Hospital Postgraduate Medical School and an Honorary Fellow of the Institute of Neurology and the Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience. I have two doctorates, one in Neuropsychology and the other in Clinical Psychology. I am one of the highest qualified psychologists in the UK. I am a former recipient of the British Neuropsychiatry Prize and international prizes and have published widely within my fields of interest. I have considerable experience in the neuropsychological assessment and treatment of patients with cognitive, behavioural and emotional difficulties arising from traumatic brain injury, neurological disease, psychiatric illness and general mental problems. My experience in neuropsychology and mental health spans more than 25 years.

I have been preparing expert reports for the Court in complex, serious brain injury and clinical negligence claims since 1999. On average, I prepare 65 reports a year. My Claimant/ Defendant ratio is 40/60. I have successfully completed expert witness training with Bond Solon. I have given oral

evidence in the High and Crown Courts as well as at the Old Bailey. I have provided evidence in high profile cases the most recent of which was Abu Hamza vs Secretary of State for the Home Department.

My specialties and interests are:

- Executive dysfunction
- Memory impairment
- Neurorehabilitation
- Effort/performance validity assessment
- Feign neurocognitive impairment
- Assessment of capacity
- General mental health

<b>Degrees and Qualifications:</b>	C.Sci	2008
	AFBPsS	2000
	D.Clin.Psy	2000
	C.Psychol.	1997
	PhD	1996
	MSc	1991
	BA (Cantab)	1987

### **Current positions**

Director/Consultant in Neuropsychology and Rehabilitation, NeuroPro Ltd

Honorary Senior Lecturer in Neuropsychology, Royal Free and University College Postgraduate Medical School, University of London

Honorary Fellow, Institute of Neurology, University College London

Honorary Fellow, Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience, University College London

### **Scientific prizes won**

- Previous winner of the British Neuropsychiatry Prize
- Biennial European Winter Workshop on Schizophrenia Young Scientist Award
- International Congress on Schizophrenia Research Young Investigator Award

## **Professional memberships**

British Psychological Society (BPS) - Associate Fellow

BPS Specialist Register of Clinical Neuropsychologists

BPS Division of Clinical Psychology

Health and Care Professionals Council (HCPC) – Registered Clinical Psychologist (no. PYL17503)

British Neuropsychological Society

British Neuropsychiatry Association

## **Recommendations**

*“David Nathaniel-James has worked with my team of large and complex lawyers for many years – often engaged in assessing and advising upon the effects of catastrophic brain injury at the highest level. David has the essential skills required by such experts – excellent knowledge and experience presented in a manner which removes adversarial issue and focuses upon accurate and factual reporting. David is able to express empathy with those he sees whilst understanding the need for forensic assessment in the interests of judicial fairness. He is firm but fair with opposing experts and a very credible expert in what is rather a difficult field.”*

**Malcolm Henke**

**Partner and head of large and complex injury  
Horwich Farrelly**

*“I have instructed Dr Nathaniel-James on several occasions in the last few years and have always been impressed with his prompt and efficient service together with the high level of professional expertise he is able to provide in the evaluation of those with severe cognitive impairments.”*

**Paul Davies**

**Senior Director - Technical  
DWF Law LLP**

*“Gave a measured and foot sure performance in the box, notwithstanding forensic cross-examination”.*

**Marcus Dignum QC**

**12 King's Bench Walk**

