

LSLA NEWSLETTER – JULY 2019

Welcome to our latest newsletter sending you information about future events and letting you know about our recent activities.

New Committee Members

Congratulations to Leigh Callaway of Fladgate LLP, Elaina Bailes of Stewarts Law LLP, and Mary Young of Kingsley Napley LLP on their co-option to the LSLA committee. Leigh, Elaina and Mary are all former committee members of the JLSLA and we are pleased that they continue to support the association.

Simon Davis, President of the Law Society

Congratulations also to former President of the LSLA, Simon Davis, who has been appointed as President of the Law Society.

Feedback for Court User Groups

The LSLA sends representatives to both the Chancery and Commercial Court User Groups. Both groups are keen to receive feedback on all aspects of the operation of the relevant courts. If members have comments or concerns they are encouraged to pass them on to the LSLA representatives so that they can be raised at the next user group meeting. This is an opportunity to raise issues directly with the judiciary and court administrator.

For feedback on the Chancery Division Courts please contact: nicholas.heaton@hoganlovells.com or patrick.wheeler@collyerbristow.com

For feedback on the Commercial Court please contact: Ed.crosse@simmons-simmons.com

FUTURE EVENTS

LSLA Summer/Autumn Lecture Series

There are still a few tickets left for our latest lecture series, but hurry to book them before they sell out.

The remaining lectures are:

- Thursday 5 September 2019 - ***Enough is enough? Setting aside a judgment for fraud*** by Neil Hext QC and Tom Shepherd of 4 New Square. Venue: Hogan Lovells LLP
- Tuesday 22 October 2019 - ***Developments in vicarious liability*** from Andrew Ayres QC of Maitland Chambers to be held at Herbert Smith Freehills LLP
- Tuesday 26 November 2019 - ***Good faith - how good do commercial parties have to be?*** by David Quest QC and Ian Wilson QC of 3 Verulam Buildings to take place at Hogan Lovells LLP

Attendance is not limited to LSLA members. Anyone can apply for tickets via the website or using the attached form (a confirmatory email will be sent a few days before the lecture to confirm your booking). The cost is £20 per event (non-members £25).

LSLA Summer Party – 17 September 2019

Members and their guests are invited to the LSLA's Summer Party at Radio Rooftop, ME London, 336-337 Strand, London WC2R 1HA for drinks and canapes.

The party is sponsored by Anexsys, Assurety and Grant Thornton and subsidised by the LSLA. Tickets cost £50 each for members and £60 for non-members. Details are on the attached flyer. There are limited spaces so early application for tickets is advisable.

Annual Dinner – 20 November 2019

Our Annual Dinner shall take place on 20 November so please make a diary note to save the date.

RECENT EVENTS

LSLA Summer/Autumn Lecture Series

Two lectures have already taken place and you can find copies of the accompanying notes on our website.

- 20 June 2019 - ***Unfair prejudice petitions: some tricks of the trade*** by Daniel Lightman QC of Serle Court (<https://www.lsla.co.uk/node/850>)
- 9 July 2019 - ***Breaking ground in fraud recovery claims: international pursuit of cyber fraudsters and litigation against 'Persons Unknown'*** from Paul Lowenstein QC of 20 Essex Street Chambers (<https://www.lsla.co.uk/node/853>)

RECENT PRESS AND PUBLICITY

The LSLA and members of its committee has recently received the following press coverage:

- 17 June 2019, Law Society Gazette, “*English courts and cross-border cases*” by John Bramhall and Julian Bubb-Hunfryes (see <https://www.lawgazette.co.uk/practice-points/english-courts-and-cross-border-cases/5070610.article>)
- 1 July 2019, CDR’s article called “*London Litigation still booming, for now*” featured comments from Julian Acratopulo (see <https://www.cdr-news.com/categories/litigation/9771-london-litigation-still-booming-for-now>)
- 3 July 2019, Financial Director, “*How best to get to the facts in litigation*” by Julian Acratopulo (see <https://www.financialdirector.co.uk/2019/07/03/how-best-to-get-to-the-facts-in-litigation/>)
- 15 July 2019, Law Society Gazette, “*Securities Litigation – the third limb*” by Gavin Foggo and Andrew Hill (see <https://www.lawgazette.co.uk/practice-points/securities-litigation-the-third-limb/5070980.article>)
- 26 July 2019, New Law Journal, “*London holding its own*” by Georgina Squire

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THE JUNIOR LSLA

The JLSLA provides:

- Seminars designed to offer practical tips on procedural and substantive legal issues commonly faced by junior civil litigators in an interactive and relaxed atmosphere;
- Networking events for members to meet and form contacts in their peer group; and
- E-news on recent and future activity and key developments with the aim of ensuring that the junior perspective is reflected in the LSLA’s responses to consultation papers.

The JLSLA is aimed at solicitors of 8 years PQE and less. Members of the LSLA will automatically become members of the JLSLA if they qualify by year of admission and complete the relevant section of the membership form.

The JLSLA also has firm Champions, who act as the point of contact between the JLSLA committee and their firm.

If you are interested in joining the JLSLA or being the JLSLA Champion for your firm, please contact the JLSLA President, Natalie Osafo at Natalie.Osafo@SlaughterandMay.com.

Join the JLSLA LinkedIn page to receive updates on JLSLA events and initiatives:
<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/4438638/>

MEMBERSHIP

The LSLA is delighted to announce that the Association's membership is nearing 3,000 members with well over 1,250 members of the JLSLA with 40 corporate members.

Corporate membership can offer a real saving to firms. Essentially, for £500 a firm with corporate membership can register an unlimited number of litigation solicitors working for it in London as members. Please contact Chris Bushell at Chris.Bushell@hsf.com if you would like further information or to take out corporate membership.

Otherwise, you can join the LSLA by visiting our website at <https://www.lsla.co.uk>. If you are 8 years PQE or less you will automatically become a member of the JLSLA if you input your year of admission when completing your online membership application.

Members are also welcome to join the LSLA LinkedIn group at <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/4545696>.

EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS

Some of our members say that they are, on occasion, not receiving email notifications for LSLA and Junior LSLA events. We have been advised that such notifications may sometimes be blocked by our members' firm's IT servers, which automatically quarantine emails received from, for example, "donotreply" email addresses.

Should you not be receiving our email notifications, we would advise you to contact your firm's IT team and request that they "whitelist" both donotreply@lsla.co.uk and lsla@lsla.co.uk.

ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR LSLA EVENTS

When making payments for membership and our events we would kindly request that you quote the correct data to identify the matter to which the payment relates. Incorrect identification often occurs where a firm's accounts team makes a payment to the LSLA as an existing payee, using old order data rather than updating the payment instruction to include the new order number.

Updating payment data to correctly reference the event to which a payment relates would significantly ease the LSLA's administrative burden. Thank you for your continued support and assistance.

LSLA WEBSITE

Our website at <https://www.lsla.co.uk/> includes: details of our forthcoming events, copies of the responses we have filed to recent consultations, recent articles and press citing members of the association, and past editions of the newsletter.

You can also join the LSLA via our website as well as sign up for future events on it.

We hope that our website will prove a source of information for members. Please let us know if you have any comments on it.

LIST OF SUPERVISING SOLICITORS

The White Book refers to the LSLA maintaining details of individuals who might be able to act as supervising solicitors for the execution of Search Orders. Our list continues to grow and is updated quarterly. We invite those suitably qualified to provide us with their details, including relevant experience, for inclusion on the list.