

A Northern Round Up

6 November 2019

The Met Hotel
King Street
Leeds
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Host: Steven Newdall – Partner – Levi Solicitors LLP

Chair & Keynote Speaker: Francis Bacon – Hailsham Chambers

Speakers

Simon Myerson QC – St Pauls Chambers & Byrom Street Chambers

Ben Patten QC – 4 New Square Chambers

Siân Mirchandani QC – 4 New Square Chambers

Mark Harper QC – Kings Chambers

David Chase – Temple Legal Protection Ltd

David Pipkin – Temple Legal Protection Ltd

Dan Stacey - Hailsham Chambers



0915–0945 Registration and Refreshments

0945–1000 PNLA Introduction by Steven Newdall – Managing Partner - Levi Solicitors LLP

Steven qualified as a solicitor in 1992, and since 2004 has combined his duties as Managing Partner of Levi Solicitors LLP with his role as head of the professional negligence team. He splits his time between the Leeds, Manchester and London offices. Over 25 years of litigation and professional negligence expertise Steven is a vastly experienced commercial litigation solicitor who is recognised as one of the leading professional negligence lawyers in the country. https://levisolicitors.co.uk/our_team/steven-newdall

1000–1045 Chair's keynote address: - Francis Bacon - Hailsham Chambers

"Loss of chance"

Francis specialises in professional negligence, commercial insurance and commercial litigation. He has extensive experience in acting for individual claimants, lending institutions and professional indemnity insurers in obtaining interim remedies in London and overseas. In 2017 Francis was named Professional Negligence Junior Barrister of the Year by Chambers & Partners.

<https://www.hailshamchambers.com/barrister/francis-bacon/>

1045–1130 Simon Myerson QC – St Pauls Chambers & Byrom Street Chambers

"Clinical Negligence and Other Professional Negligence: Similarities and Differences"

Simon is regularly instructed in professional negligence actions, together with commercial and criminal fraud and regulatory breach cases: Simon is much sought after for cases that require both criminal and civil high-level experience – including on an advisory basis for victims of fraud or those faced with allegations of breach of professional discipline.

"... A highly intelligent advocate ... a key name for commercial matters, particularly civil fraud cases" Legal 500.

<https://www.stpaulschambers.com/barrister/simon-myerson-qc/>

<http://www.byromstreet.com/members/simon-myerson-qc/>

1130–1145 Question and Discussion Session

1145–1200 Refreshments

1200–1300 Ben Patten QC and Siân Mirchandani QC – 4 New Square Chambers

"Design Obligations of Construction Professionals"

Ben Patten QC's expertise lies in a range of commercial work, including construction disputes, professional liability claims, commercial litigation and insurance and reinsurance disputes.

Described as "calm under pressure and always willing to stick his neck out on a case" he acts for both claimants and defendants in the TCC, Commercial and Mercantile Courts, Queen's Bench Division, Chancery Division and Arbitrations. He also appears in the Court of Appeal and in expert determinations, mediations and other ADR hearings.

"He has an encyclopaedic knowledge of the subject matter, coupled with a fantastic advocacy style. Like a university professor when he needs to be, but then a street fighter when that's appropriate. Watching his advocacy was a masterclass." Chambers & Partners, 2019

"He provides strong and decisive advice" – Legal 500, 2019

Siân Mirchandani QC has established a broad commercial practice encompassing construction/engineering, professional liability claims, insurance and disciplinary claims in court proceedings, arbitrations and adjudications.

Siân has a particular interest in disputes involving construction, IT, technical and scientific elements and this has led to a strong construction/engineering practice and wide ranging experience in regulatory and experimental product testing claims.

Prior to her successful first application for silk in 2018, Siân was recognised as a Leading Junior by the directories for Construction, Professional Negligence and Disciplinary.

"She is tremendously bright, has a tenacious eye for detail, and brings a new level of strategic thinking to the table." Legal 500, 2019

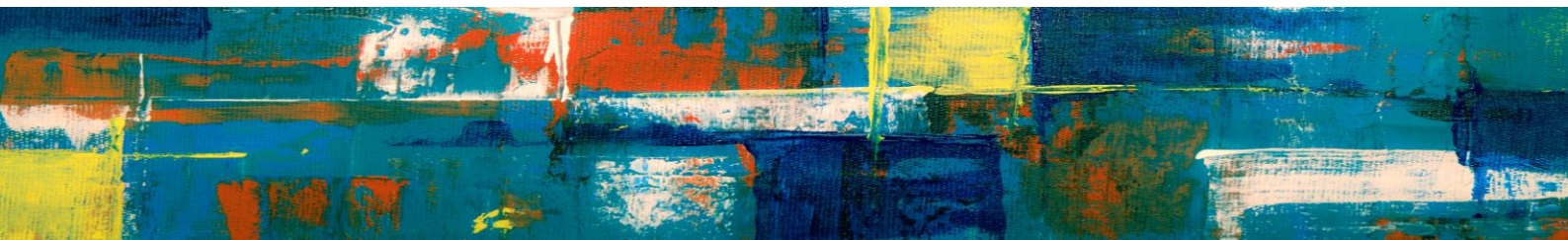
"She is very competent and thorough and hits the right points in the right places." "Extremely responsive wherever she is and whatever the time zone. She has a very reassuring demeanour that instils confidence all round." Chambers & Partners, 2019

"Siân Mirchandani QC is recognised for her superb professional negligence practice." Who's Who Legal, 2019

<https://www.4newsquare.com/barristers/ben-patten-qc/>

<https://www.4newsquare.com/barristers/sian-mirchandani/>

1300–1400 Lunch



1400–1445 David Pipkin & David Chase – Temple Legal Protection Limited

“How to get the most out of your ATE provider”

David is the Deputy Underwriting Manager in Temple's Commercial Department who partners with solicitors and brokers to provide litigation (ATE) insurance and funding solutions to businesses and individuals.

Having started his career in ATE insurance in 2006 at FirstAssist, David gained experience in litigation funding as an analyst at Burford Capital, before joining Temple Legal Protection in late 2013. Having worked for over 12 years in this evolving market, David knows what drives customers and he understands that it is how well you connect with the people you are trying to help that makes you succeed.

David has helped hundreds of customers and has worked with many of the leading law firms in the British Isles. He has extensive and varied experience in risk analysis, case management and long-term relationship management. One of David's specialisms is his management of our fully-delegated schemes, a responsibility which plays an integral part in the retention of Temple's partnerships with many leading and specialist commercial law firms.

<https://www.temple-legal.co.uk/about-us/our-people/>

1445–1530 Mark Harper QC – Kings Chambers

“Witness Evidence – how to do it properly?”

Mark has considerable experience of providing advice and representation to both Claimants and Insurers in relation to professional negligence claims involving solicitors, accountants, financial advisers, and surveyors. This practice involves a considerable amount of work concerning the mis-selling of financial, investment and tax-saving products and schemes including products such as alternative invest markets, unregulated collective investment schemes, film schemes, environmental/eco tax saving schemes, endowment purchase schemes etc.

Member of the Business and Property Court focus group led by Mr Justice Popplewell

<https://www.kingschambers.com/all-silks/mark-harper>

1530–1545 Questions and discussion session

1545–1600 Refreshments

1600–1645 Dan Stacey - Hailsham Chambers

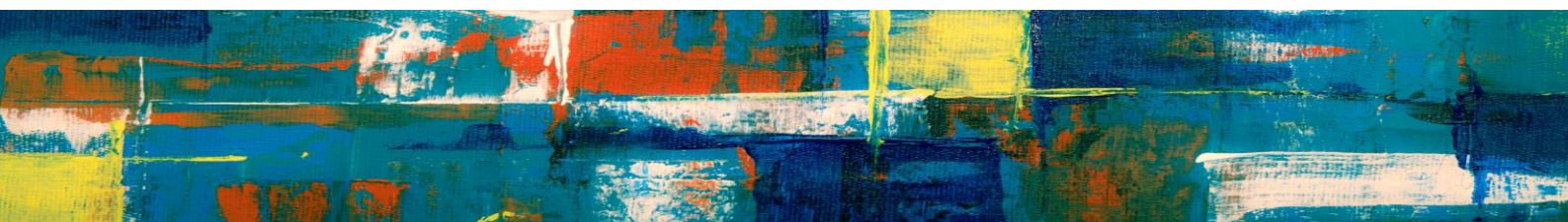
“Professional Negligence Costs Update”

Dan Stacey is a senior junior barrister who specialises in professional indemnity and costs litigation. He has been rated in the main directories for many years for both professional negligence and costs and he has appeared in numerous reported cases in the High Court, Court of Appeal and Supreme Court (including *Page v Hewetts* and *Gron dona v Stoffel*).

“Bright, articulate and a great team player ... he is good on his feet. Very relaxed as an advocate; he always seems completely unfazed. He has a really nice style and gets good results” *Chambers UK 2019*.

<https://www.hailshamchambers.com/barrister/dan-stacey>

1645–1700 Chair's closing remarks



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