



Thursday 12th
October 2023

9am – 5pm

at
Outer Temple
Chambers

222 Strand, Temple
London WC2R 1BA

Followed by drinks

CPD – 7.5 hours

London

“The Ultimate Roundup”

Chair

Jayna Patel - Partner, Dutton Gregory LLP & PNLA South of England Representative

Speakers

- The Hon. Mr Justice Adam Constable
- Helen Evans KC – 4 New Square
- David E. Grant KC – Outer Temple Chambers
- Samuel Morley – Hawkins
- Simon Arnold & Georgia Purnell – 3 Hare Court
- Jeremy Scott-Joynt – Outer Temple Chambers
- Gus Baker – Outer Temple Chambers
- Philip Demetriou & Adrian Caley – DISCO
- Kevin Wonnacott – Wonnacott Consulting

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3 HARE COURT

Conference Agenda

0900-0930 *Registration and refreshments*

0930-0935 *Chair's Introduction*

Jayna Patel – Partner, Dutton Gregory LLP & PNLA South of England Representative

Jayna regularly advises businesses and individuals on professional negligence claims and has a proven track record of securing successful outcomes.

Her client testimonials speak for themselves, and she has built up a reputation within the Southeast and her wider network as the go to professional negligence claimant lawyer.

This past year, Jayna has successfully concluded various professional negligence claims arising out of building surveying and legal advice regarding SDLT and leases. She currently has conduct of several failed litigated matters e.g., family/ financial proceedings, shareholder/director/ unfair prejudice and construction.

<https://www.duttongregory.co.uk/site/people/profile/jayna.patel>

0935-1000 *“Keynote Address”*

The Honourable Mr Justice Adam Constable KC

After attending independent school in Croydon, Adam was the first in his family to go on to university. He studied Jurisprudence at Oxford University before being called to the Bar in 1995.

Adam was appointed as a Recorder in 2009 and as King's Counsel in 2011.

As a barrister and arbitrator, Adam specialised in onshore and offshore construction, engineering, energy, shipbuilding and professional negligence disputes.

His experience includes UK Courts (TCC, Commercial Court and Court of Appeal), and representing multi-national clients in front of international tribunals.

<https://www.judiciary.uk/appointments-and-retirements/appointment-of-a-high-court-judge-constable-kc/>

1000-1035 (inc 5 mins Q&A)

“Current themes in pensions, trusts and estates”

David E. Grant KC – Outer Temple Chambers

David is a chancery and commercial practitioner with specialist expertise in pensions, trusts and estates and professional negligence. He has extensive advocacy experience in courts and tribunals up to the European Court of Justice and has acted in some of the biggest pensions, professional negligence, company and trust cases in recent times. He has also attended numerous mediations both for claimants and professional advisers (whether lawyers, actuaries, accountants, benefit consultants or other).

David has been recommended in Chambers and Partners and the Legal 500 since 2007 in various fields and, prior to his elevation to silk, was formerly described as “The go-to junior for Part 8 and professional negligence claims concerning pension schemes.” He sits on various court user groups and other committees and is a member of the Chancery Bar main committee. He has spoken to different audiences in places as far flung as New Orleans, Belfast, Venice and Budapest.

<https://www.outertemple.com/barrister/david-e-grant-kc/>

1035-1110 (inc 5 mins Q&A)

“Professional Negligence Update”

Helen Evans KC – 4 New Square

Helen Evans KC is a leading barrister practising in professional negligence, fraud, disciplinary and insurance work.

Prior to taking silk, Helen was ranked by the legal directories as a leading junior in the fields of professional liability, insurance and professional discipline. In November 2021 she was named Chambers and Partners Junior of the Year in the Professional Negligence category and in April 2022 she was “Lawyer of the Week” in the Times. She has previously been identified by Who's Who Legal as one of the two most highly regarded juniors at the professional negligence bar.

<https://www.4newsquare.com/profile/helen-evans/>

1110-1125 Refreshments

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1125-1155 (inc 5 mins Q&A)

"The Expert Architect's Perspective"

Samuel Morley – Architect, Hawkins & Associates

Samuel Morley is a Forensic Architect based in Hawkins' Reigate office. Samuel specialises in construction defects and reviewing consultant designs. He provides expert opinion in water ingress, fire safety and personal injury investigations. He has over 15 years' experience leading projects across the public and private sectors from the initial concept through to completion of works on site.

Samuel is a UK registered and Chartered Architect and he is also a Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

<https://www.hawkins.biz/experts/samuel-morley/>

1155-1230 (inc 5 mins Q&A)

"Professional negligence claims against financial services professionals"

Simon Arnold & Georgia Purnell – 3 Hare Court

Simon is an acknowledged commercial litigation specialist. His commercial litigation experience spans banking and financial services litigation, arbitration (domestic and overseas), construction litigation and professional liabilities including bringing and defending claims against a range of professionals in the legal, property, insurance, and construction sectors.

Simon's commercial litigation practice includes advising on partnership and franchise disputes, insurance coverage matters (for both insurers and policyholder) and disputes arising from the sale of goods and manufacturing equipment, often with a conflict of laws element.

<https://www.3harecourt.com/barrister/simon-arnold/>

Georgia is a commercial litigator. She specialises in banking and financial services litigation, commercial fraud and company and insolvency disputes. Georgia also acts in professional liability claims related to her areas of expertise.

Georgia primarily acts in litigation involving accessorial liability, asset recovery/tracing, banking and financial services disputes, breach of fiduciary duty and trust, conspiracy and fraud and she has significant experience in company and insolvency disputes. Georgia is often instructed as sole Counsel in complex commercial litigation across her range of specialisms and has substantial High Court experience in both trials and interlocutory applications.

<https://www.3harecourt.com/barrister/georgia-purnell/>

1230-1300 (inc 5 mins Q&A)

"ediscovery & Artificial Intelligence"

Philip Demetriou & Adrian Caley – DISCO

DISCO (NYSE:LAW) provides a cloud-native, artificial intelligence-powered legal solution that simplifies edisclosure, legal document review and case management for enterprises, law firms, legal services providers and governments. Our scalable, integrated solution enables legal departments to easily collect, process and review enterprise data that is relevant or potentially relevant to legal matters. For more information, visit www.csdisco.com

Adrian is an Account Executive at DISCO EMEA. Adrian is an experienced consultant and advisor, assisting leading corporate legal departments and law firms in their evaluation, implementation and optimisation of practice-focused technology, digital automation, and account business development.

Philip is Senior Director of UK and European Sales at DISCO EMEA. With more than 20 years of international edisclosure experience working for KPMG, Epiq and Consilio, he has an extensive knowledge of how law firms and legal departments can embrace the benefits of cloud-based solutions to transform their businesses.

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1300-1400 Lunch

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1400-1435 (inc 5 mins Q&A)

“Negligence arising from AI and Tech”

Jeremy Scott-Joynt – Outer Temple Chambers

Jeremy’s primary areas of practice include business crime, regulation and commercial litigation in both the public and private sectors. More widely, he acts in commercial and regulatory cases involving cryptoassets and data protection/privacy issues.

He represents clients with complex commercial disputes, particularly those involving financial services and regulators. As a former lead investigator for a London-based international bank, he is skilled in managing complex and delicate enquiries and investigations and is frequently instructed in disputes concerning professional negligence. He is currently advising and representing clients in matters involving both solicitors and financial advisers, including a claim which involves the alleged mis-selling of interest rate hedging products (IRHPs).

Jeremy has presented webinars on the financial crime aspects of cryptoassets, and has been part of the legal team on disputes involving the question of whether (and if so, on what basis) cryptoassets can be considered property. He is appointed to the Attorney-General’s C Panel of junior counsel to the Crown.

<https://www.outertemple.com/barrister/jeremy-scott-joynt/>

1435-1500 *“Team Case Study Introduction session”*

Chair - Gus Baker – Outer Temple Chambers

Gus is regularly instructed in professional negligence claims involving those against solicitors, surveyors and pensions professionals including scheme administrators (acting both for claimant trustees and defendant solicitors). He is regularly instructed to advise and represent clients in courts and tribunals at all levels and has appeared in the High Court, the Court of Appeal, and the Employment Appeal Tribunal.

Gus was recently instructed on behalf of the claimants in a five-week, high value, multi-party professional negligence claim against a pension scheme administrator, a firm of solicitors and a silk in a claim arising out of the decision of Newey J in Gleeds Retirement Benefits Scheme [2014] EWHC 1178 which resolved on the first day of trial.

He is recommended by Legal 500 and Chambers and Partners as a “rising star” and “up and coming” junior barrister.

<https://www.outertemple.com/barrister/gus-baker/>

1500-1515 Refreshments

1515-1615 *“Team Case Study Discussion Session”*

1615-1645 (inc 5 mins Q&A)

“The New Fixed Costs Regime”

Kevin Wonnacott – Costs Lawyer & Jayna Patel – Dutton Gregory

Kevin Wonnacott is a Costs Lawyer and Managing Director of Wonnacott Consulting Limited. He has more than 30-years’ experience and has led, managed and advised on many difficult costs matters for a wide breadth of clients and case types, often involving international and cross-jurisdictional elements, where the issue of costs has become contentious, complex and which requires concentrated and high skilled input from experienced costs lawyers.

Striving to deliver the best outcomes for clients whether it be by way of negotiated compromise at the budgeting stage or advice and advocacy within the resultant detailed assessment proceedings, Kevin’s philosophy is to ensure the client receives robust, effective and efficient advice and representation at all times. Having built strong professional connections with the key firms and practitioners operating in the dispute resolution and costs litigation sectors, Kevin is very well placed to advise and represent a party which is in need of an experienced costs lawyer.

<https://wonnacott.co.uk/> kevin@wonnacott.co.uk

1645-1650 Chair’s Closing Remarks, Questions and Discussion

1710-1900 *Sponsored Drinks – (Location TBC) - invitation to PNLA Network*

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