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Litigation Annual Conference 2020

Date	29 October 2020
Time	2.00pm to 5.00pm
Venue	Lecture Theatre, Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin 7
Fee	€186
Discounted* Fee	€160
CPD Hours	3 General (by Group Study)
Event Code	20011

Aim and Objectives

This annual conference is designed in collaboration with members of the Law Society's Litigation Committee. The seminar will deal with topical issues of concern and interest including recent development in the Courts, Costs and Statute of Limitations. The aim of the seminar is to provide litigation practitioners with an overview of recent and on-going developments in litigation practice from a practical perspective.

Topics and Issues to be covered

- Recent developments in Statute of Limitations
- Costs:
 - Adjudication & LSRA Act
 - Proposals for Costs Reform
- Litigation in lockdown and wellbeing:
 - Issues arising in Committee context
 - Law Society supports
- Recent and continuing developments in the courts

Chairperson and speaker

Liam Kennedy, Partner, A&L Goodbody, Dublin

Liam Kennedy, a Partner in A&L Goodbody's Litigation & Dispute Resolution Department, specialises in international and domestic commercial disputes including: product liability; M&A; securities/auditors' litigation (including international class actions); EU and competition law; and constitutional litigation. Liam's practice includes dealing with regulators. A key area of Liam's expertise involves crisis and risk management. Liam acts in the management of complex regulatory investigations and disputes, helping clients manage legal, commercial and regulatory risk and to deal with crisis situation.

Speakers

Joe O'Malley, Partner, Hayes Solicitors, Dublin

Joe is a partner and Head of the Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution team at Hayes solicitors. Joe handles a wide variety of commercial litigation matters for the State, financial institution and corporate clients. He advises The Irish Times in relation to media law issues. Recently, he represented the special liquidators of IBRC against the former directors of a Building Society. He defended a truck dealership in relation to 300 claims based on alleged

breach of competition laws. He represents the State Defendants in relation to a large number Swine flu vaccination claims. He acts in the defence of approximately 300 claims arising out of the Belfry Investments. He is former Chairman of Dublin Solicitors' Bar Association Litigation Committee. He is a Council Member of Law Society of Ireland and he is Chairman of Danske Bank's Tracker Appeals Panel.

Stuart Gilhooly, Partner, HJ Ward & Co. Solicitors, Dublin

Stuart Gilhooly qualified as a solicitor in 1995 having completed his apprenticeship with H.J. Ward & Co. Solicitors and has been practicing in the area of personal injuries claims since then, acting exclusively for claimants. He was voted Solicitor of the Year in 2018 at the Irish Law Awards. Stuart has a strong reputation in personal injuries litigation and was President of the Law Society in 2016/17 and President of the Dublin Solicitors Bar Association in 2010/11. Stuart also practices in the area of sports law.

Other speakers TBC

IMPORTANT

- It you have chosen the option to attend via streaming LIVE online, your login information will be emailed to you 3 working days before the event. In this case, you must login and attend online in order to avail of the CPD hours on offer.
- This event will not be recorded, so if you have chosen to attend online and miss the live streaming you cannot play back the event.
- Solicitors may now complete the entire 2020 CPD requirement of 20 hours online. For more information see www.lawsociety.ie/CPDscheme
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