

# LAW SOCIETY PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

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## **The In-House and Public Sector Annual Conference 2020 - Enhancing the effectiveness of the in-house legal team and legal professional privilege for the in-house solicitor.**

<b>Date</b>	5 November 2020
<b>Time</b>	9.30am to 1.30pm
<b>Venue</b>	Online Webinar with Live O&A Sessions
<b>Fee</b>	€186
<b>Discounted* Fee</b>	€160
<b>CPD Hours</b>	1 General 1 Management & Professional Development Skills 1.5 Regulatory Matters (including x Accounting & AML Compliance) <b>Total 3.5 Hours (by eLearning)</b>
<b>Event Code</b>	<b>20015</b>

### **Aim and Objectives**

This annual conference, presented by the In-house and Public Sector Committee in collaboration with Law Society Finuas Skillnet is aimed at solicitors employed in-house in the private and public sectors.

Our key note speaker, Amanda Shantz, will present on enhancing the effectiveness of the in-house legal team. The post break presentation, by Derek Hegarty, will explore legal professional privilege and the in-house solicitor. Both presentations will be followed by an interactive panel discussion – panel members, from both the private and public sectors and including large and small departments, will share their personal observations and insights based on their career experiences and provide guidance and practical tips. The focus will be on the practical with delegates taking away actionable tips and tools from the event.

**Ken Murphy, Director General of the Law Society, will open the event.**

**Topics to be covered include**

- Enhancing the effectiveness of the in-house legal team.
- Legal Professional Privilege and the in-house solicitor

**Chairperson**

**Anna-Marie Curry, Company Secretary and General Counsel, Bord na Mona plc**

As Company Secretary and General Counsel Anna-Marie is responsible to the Board of Bord na Móna for ensuring compliance with all Board procedures and is the key liaison with Bord na Móna's shareholding Department. Anna-Marie also has overall responsibility for leading the development of the Legal functions within Bord na Móna and has administrative responsibility for the Internal Audit function within Bord na Móna. Anna-Marie joined Bord na Móna in 2007 as Head of Legal and was appointed to the role of Company Secretary and General Counsel in 2017. Prior to joining Bord na Móna Anna-Marie trained and practiced as a corporate solicitor with Arthur Cox in Dublin. Anna-Marie holds a B.A. and LL.B. from the National University of Ireland, Galway, a Masters of Law (LL.M.) from the University of Edinburgh, a Certificate in Company Secretarial Law and Practice from the Law Society of Ireland and a Diploma in Company Direction from the Institute of Directors.

**Speakers Include**

**Amanda Shantz, Associate Professor of Human Resource Management, Trinity College, Dublin.**

Amanda Shantz is an Associate Professor in Human Resources and Organisational Behaviour at Trinity Business School, Trinity College Dublin. She acquired her undergraduate degree at McGill University, her MSc at the London School of Economics, and her PhD at the University of Toronto. Amanda has been teaching, researching, and publishing in human resource management and organisational behaviour for 15 years. She is interested in how perceptions of human resources influence engagement and performance, and more recently, how organisations can create strong ethical cultures. She has published over 30 peer-reviewed academic articles, and she was recently awarded the

2019 Richard Beckhard Memorial Prize from MIT Sloan Management Review. Amanda is actively involved in the organisations in which she conducts research. In the UK, Canada, and Ireland she works with companies to diagnose engagement and design ways to enhance it. Amanda is involved with her professional community, as an elected member of the Academy of Management Human Resources Division, and as an Associate Editor of Human Relations, a Financial Times Top 50 Academic Journal.

**Derek Hegarty, Partner, William Fry, Dublin**

Derek is a Partner in William Fry's Litigation and Dispute Resolution Department. He is also a member of our Financial Regulation Unit. He advises on a broad range of matters relating to financial disputes and compliance with financial regulations. These include the origination, transfer, restructure and enforcement of loan agreements as well as the investigation of suspected non-compliance with financial regulations and the assertion of legal professional privilege over communications relevant to those investigations. He advises both regulated financial services providers and non-regulated parties. He has also advised the financial services regulator, the Central Bank of Ireland. An area of focus for Derek is the current drive for cultural change in the financial services industry and specifically, the imminent change to the regulations concerning individual accountability for senior executives of regulated financial services providers. Derek is admitted as a solicitor in Ireland and England and Wales (non-practising in England and Wales). Derek is listed in Best Lawyers 2019 under 'The Best Lawyers in Ireland' for work in Litigation.

## **Panelists**

**Nicholas Donnelly, Head of Legal Unit, Department of Justice and Equality.**

**Laura McGovern, Senior Legal Advisor, Competition and Consumer Protection Commission**

**Meabh Gallagher, Director of Corporate Governance & Legal Counsel, Data Protection Officer, Aer Lingus.**

Méabh is a qualified solicitor with a focus on governance, technology and data protection with experience working in the UK, New York and Ireland. At Aer Lingus she acts as Company Secretary to the Board and advises on data protection (she is CIPP/E qualified and the Aer Lingus DPO), compliance & business ethics, corporate governance as well as contract and general commercial law issues. She has worked with Aer Lingus for 8 years and prior to that worked in media for RTE and SKY and as legal advisor to a gaming company and an IT consultancy. She trained in London and New York with Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer.

**Hugh O'Reilly, In-house counsel, An Post.**

Company Solicitor An Post since 1995 with overall responsibility for all legal functions within An Post. I hold BCL (UCD), Dip Eur Law (UCD), Dip Advance Competition Law (Kings) and Dip Commercial Law (Law Society)

## **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](http://www.lawsociety.ie/CPDscheme)
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