

2017 – Membership Benefits and Application Form

LAW SOCIETY SKILLNET BACKGROUND

The Law Society Skillnet was established in 2007 to address primarily the specialised legal, management and professional development training needs which were not available to member firms to assist them in maintaining competitiveness and sustainability. The secondary aim of the network was to address the training needs of firms in rural marginalised regions of Ireland where relevant specialised training was unavailable due to the specialisation which was required and the costs involved in delivering this training.

The network is funded by member companies and the Training Networks Programme which is an initiative of Skillnets who are funded from the National Training Fund through the Department of Education and Skills. The network is promoted by the Law Society of Ireland.

Over the past few years, the Network has received a number of awards from the Irish Institute of Training and Development (IITD) in the '**Most Innovative Use of Technology**' in Teaching and Learning' category, '**Best Work Placement – Graduate and Non- Graduate**' Category and in the '**Network and Groups**' Category.

Collaborative Networking Events

The network has delivered five collaborative networking events. The collaborative partners have included the Irish Women Lawyers Association, the Sole Practitioners Network, the Dublin Solicitors Bar Association and the Dublin Institute of Technology. The objective of these events was to enable our member firms to establish new business contacts or indeed reignite old contacts for collegiality, support, knowledge dissemination and business and education advancement. Networking will continue to be a key focus for 2017 as is proposed in the networks application.

Who is eligible to attend training courses and network events?

All member firms of the Law Society Skillnet and their staff can attend **ALL** Law Society Skillnet events at a reduced cost. Up to 20% discount is available for members.

Benefits include

- Up to 20% discount on all Law Society Skillnet seminars, Law Society Skillnet certificate courses, workshops and conferences. **This specifically excludes Certificates and Diplomas** provided by the Law Society Diploma Centre
- Up to 20% discount on all Law Society Skillnet seminar & conference materials

Annual Law Society Skillnet Membership fee scale – 1 January 2017 – 31 December 2017 inclusive

- < 2 employees €135
- 3 - 19 employees €395
- 20 - 50 employees €595
- 51 - 99 employees €795
- 100+ employees €975

All Law Society Skillnet courses qualify for CPD hours under the CPD Scheme requirements.

Thank you for your support in attending our training events and we look forward to welcoming you to future events.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Attracta O'Regan'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Attracta' being more prominent and the last name 'O'Regan' following in a similar style.

Attracta O'Regan
Head of Law Society Professional Training
Incorporating Law Society Skillnet & Law Society Finuas Network

INVITATION TO JOIN

If you are not one of our 600 member firms and you would like to join in 2017, please complete the form below. If you have training needs which we could assist in addressing, please do not hesitate to contact us.

SKILLNET MEMBER FIRM APPLICATION FORM

01 January 2017 – 31 December 2017 inclusive

The vision of this Skillnet is to develop a centre of excellence for lifelong learning. A one-stop-shop for all solicitors' legal education and professional development and management needs.

Company Name	
Nature of Business	
Total Number of Fee earner Employees	
Name of person completing application	
Signature (required field)	
Job Title	
Company Address	
Phone	
Email	

***Payment:** Payment must accompany application and be made by cheques.

PLEASE MAKE MEMBERSHIP CHEQUE PAYABLE TO LAW SOCIETY SKILLNET ONLY.

Membership subscription shall entitle all fee earners in your firm to the benefits noted under the benefits section at page 2 herein.

PLEASE RETURN TO: Law Society Skillnet, The Law School,
Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin 7, DX 79 Dublin
Tel: 01 881 5727 **Fax:** 01 672 4890
Email: Lspt@lawsociety.ie **Website:** www.lawsociety.ie/lcpt

***Payment:** Payment must accompany application and be made by cheques. Please make membership cheques payable to: **Law Society Skillnet**

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