

Property Conference

Wednesday, 8th October 2014

Bristol Law Society hosts its Annual Property Conference focusing on hot topics in property law and practice. With expert speakers ready to share their wealth of knowledge and experience this promises to be an engaging and informative day so book your place now.



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5.5 hours

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8.30 - 9.15 am	Registration, networking and welcome drinks
9.15 - 9.20 am	Welcome and introductions from Judge Havelock-Allan QC
9.20 - 9.50 am	Challenges and solutions to local development issues <i>David North and Neil Bromwich, Osborne Clarke</i>
9.50 - 10.20 am	The devil's in the detail in development agreements <i>Jonathan Seitler QC, Wilberforce Chambers</i>
10.20 - 10.50 am	Contracts for the sale of land – how flexible is time <i>Leslie Blohm QC, St John's Chambers</i>
10.50 - 11.00 am	Question and answer session
11.00 - 11.15 am	Refreshments
11.15 - 11.45 am	The ease or unease of easements in development <i>Ewan Paton, Barrister, Guildhall Chambers</i>
11.45 - 12.15 pm	Injunctions and damages in lieu after <i>Coventry v Lawrence</i> <i>David Holland QC, Landmark Chambers</i>
12.15 - 12.45 pm	Property law: a case of boom & bust for the profession? <i>Calum MacLean, Lockton's Professions</i>
12.45 - 12.55 pm	Q&A session
12.55 - 1.40 pm	Lunch
1.40 - 2.00 pm	Land development – title insurance solutions <i>Martin Wilks, First Title</i>
2.00 - 2.30 pm	Current property market 'The Banker's View' <i>Mark Ellis, Head of Property & Social Care Banking Services, Lloyds Bank Commercial</i>
2.30 - 2.50 pm	Title to be confirmed <i>Wessex Searches</i>
2.50 - 3.00 pm	Refreshments
3.00 - 3.45 pm	Choose one of the following problem based sessions, facilitated by barristers from all Chambers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Remedies when developers infringe property rights - led by Tom Weekes and Toby Watkin, Landmark Chambers b) Development agreements and practical problems - led by Joanne Wicks QC, Wilberforce Chambers
3.45 - 4.15 pm	A property developer's trade secrets – case studies <i>Paul Addison, Managing Director, DevAssist</i>
4.15 - 4.30 pm	Q&A and conclusions from the day by Chair

David North, Partner (Real Estate) Osborne Clarke

David specialises in advising commercial real estate developers in the site assembly of development land, together with the pre-letting and forward sale of development sites. He has nearly twenty years' experience advising developers throughout the UK and now leads the firm's commercial developers' team across our three offices, thanks to his considerable expertise across the sector. He has built strong relationships with many of his clients as a result of years of working together. As well as advising developers, David has experience acting for large institutional investment funds interested in acquiring completed developments during the course of the construction phase. As a result of this work he has developed a keen understanding of the needs of both parties to the development process and can deliver commercially sensible advice to clients of all kinds.



Neil Bromwich, Partner (Planning) Osborne Clarke

Neil is a Partner in OC's planning team, and also a chartered surveyor (RICS). His specialism is in advising on planning and environmental matters on strategic development projects for a wide range of commercial development. His expertise is particularly strong in the renewable energy and infrastructure sectors and in residential development. He has acted for several energy companies at planning appeals and in the High Court on aviation development. Having worked in development roles for Biffa Waste Services and Tarmac before qualifying as a solicitor, Neil continues to advise a number of major mineral and waste clients. He has also acted for major retail, leisure and residential developers on planning projects.



Jonathan Seitler QC, Call 1985 (QC 2003), Wilberforce Chambers

Jonathan is the only person to have been awarded Chambers & Partners prestigious 'Real Estate Silk of the Year' on two successive occasions and is generally regarded as top of the pile in property litigation and related professional negligence. His practice covers anything with a property angle, however tangential. Recent successes include *Clutterbuck v Al Amoudi* (the notorious 'vamp in the veil' case), *Peel Land v TS Sheerness* where he persuaded the Court of Appeal, against all commentator's predictions, to re-write the rules as to fixtures and alterations, and *PGF v OMFS* where he convinced the Court of Appeal to impose the strongest sanctions on his opponents for having ignored a request to mediate. Jonathan's success has been achieved by enormously hard work, attention to detail, speed and decisiveness. His speciality is to combine an open, accessible and attractive manner with clients with a ruthless and sometimes brutal destruction of opponents. In 2014, he was prominent in Chambers & Partners Top 100 Barristers (across all fields) and described as "absolutely superb" and "a master tactician". Jonathan is also the author of several books: 'Claims against solicitors and valuers', 'Commercial Dispute Resolution' and the bestselling 'Leases:



Leslie Blohm QC, Call 1982 (QC 2006) St John's Chambers

Leslie is one of the Western Circuit's leading commercial and chancery practitioners, both in advisory work and in litigation in all Courts from the most local up to and including the House of Lords and the Supreme Court. He deals with commercial disputes and problems, and in particular those with a property element including contracts for the sale of land, development and overage agreements, commercial landlord and tenant disputes and Town and Village Green applications. Leslie has been ranked in the 'Chambers 100 UK Bar', marking him out amongst the top 100 silks in the country and the very best in his field. "A specialist property lawyer with a tremendous reputation among both peers and instructing solicitors." Chambers UK (2014)



Ewan Paton, Call 1996 Guildhall Chambers

Ewan has specialised in property law since joining Guildhall Chambers in 1998. His practice covers all aspects of real property, landlord and tenant (both commercial and residential), contentious probate and inheritance, and professional negligence claims arising from these areas, across the South West, Wales and beyond. In Chambers and Partners UK 2013 Ewan was ranked in both the Chancery and Real Estate Litigation categories, where he was said to “give good, sound advice on difficult issues.” Ewan advises and assists clients including developers, wind farm owners, major national retailers, holiday park owners and private individuals. A former university lecturer, he also regularly gives seminars on a wide range of topics, and writes articles for the Guildhall Chambers Property & Estates newsletter and other publications. Ewan is also a trained mediator who has conducted both traditional mediations and ‘early neutral evaluations’. He also accepts instructions by Direct Public Access. Since 2008 he has regularly sat as a Chairman of the Residential Property Tribunal and LVT (Wales).



David Holland QC, Call 1986 (QC 2011), Landmark Chambers

The core of David’s practice is all forms of property litigation but he also practices in the areas of professional negligence and costs. David has immense experience of litigating at all levels of court. His recent cases include: *Assaubayev v Michael Wilson & Partners* [2014] EWHC 821; *The Port of London Authority v Tower Bridge Yacht and Boat Club Limited* [2013] EWHC 3084; *Flatman v Germany* [2013] EWCA Civ 278; *Relicpride Building Co Ltd v Cordara* [2013] EWCA Civ 158 *Tweedie v Souglides* [2012] EWCA Civ 1548 and the *HOTT v ABP litigation*. David was named as the Real Estate Silk of the Year in the Chambers & Partners Awards for 2013. He also sits as a part time Judge of the First-tier Tribunal (Property Chamber) and acts as an arbitrator and expert.



Calum MacLean, Solicitor Lockton Chambers

As a solicitor with 8 years PQE in private practice, Calum understands risk and compliance from your perspective. Calum provides risk management training and consultancy to Lockton's solicitor clients, focussing on practical measures to address current and emerging risk issues. He has helped a number of clients to improve their risk profile and marketability with professional indemnity insurers. Calum joined Lockton in 2012, following 4 years as a specialist risk consultant with Marsh.



Martin Wilks, First Title

Martin studied Jurisprudence at Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford University and graduated in 2004. He then trained at international law firm Pinsent Masons LLP before moving to Nabarro LLP in 2007. At Nabarro, Martin progressed to Senior Associate in the commercial real estate team where he regularly advised a variety of institutional developers and investors. He has experience dealing in both the retail and office sectors and was seconded to Land Securities PLC in 2012. In August 2013, Martin joined First Title PLC as a commercial underwriter, where he now underwrites high net-worth legal indemnity risks. This involves a daily analysis of commercial and residential property risks including rights to light, judicial review and village greens.



Mark Ellis, Head of Property & Social Care Banking Services Lloyds Bank Commercial

The Property & Social Care Banking Services team provide tailored banking services to businesses with a turnover up to £25 million. Mark joined Lloyds Banking Group in June 2007 with a brief to develop a social care proposition and has recently taken over the responsibility for the SME Property team. Mark has also held key positions in a number of high street and merchant banks working in both commercial and corporate banking and has extensive experience of both the Property and Healthcare markets.



Toby Watkin, Call 1996 Landmark Chambers

Toby is an established practitioner dealing with all areas of property-work, including telecoms work and property-related professional negligence. He was called to the bar in 1996 and joined Landmark Chambers in 2010 after many years in chambers in Lincoln's Inn. For several years he has been ranked as a leading junior in Real Estate Litigation by Chambers & Partners and is qualified as both a mediator and an arbitrator. He writes the 'Common Law Remedies for Injury to Land' section of Garner on Environmental Law, and is currently writing Forfeiture of Leases for Jordans. His more interesting cases in the last 12 months have included representing the owners of County Hall (the site of the London Eye and London Aquarium) and successfully resisting a 1954 Act ground (f) possession claim for a Bond Street jeweller against Alan Sugar's property arm. He has been secretary of the Property Bar Association since 2011.



Tom Weekes, Call 1995 Landmark Chambers

Tom is a property litigation specialist with a court-based practice. He represents a wide variety of types of clients at hearings at every level. Recent cases of note have included *Cusack v Harrow* [2013] 1 WLR 2022 (with a leader) (a Supreme Court decision about frontagers' rights of access to the highway), *Freetown v Assethold* [2013] 1 WLR 7012 (an important Court of Appeal decision about the service of documents by post), *Shebelle v Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust* [2014] 2 P&CR 6 (a Court of Appeal decision about whether the covenant for quiet enjoyment can be breached by the performance of a public duty), *Siemens v Friends Life* [2014] 2 P&CR 5 (with a leader) (a Court of Appeal decision about compliance with option conditions), and *Pavledes v Hadjisavva* [2013] 2 EGLR 123 (a case about the availability of declaratory relief). Tom is the author of *Property Notices* (Jordans, 2011, 2nd edition) and he will be a co-author of the next edition of *Rights of Light* (Jordans). Praise in the legal directories has included: "an up and coming star of the Property Bar" (Legal 500, 2010), "gets great results" (Legal 500, 2011) and "extremely able advocate" (Legal 500, 2013).



Joanne Wicks QC, Call 1990 (QC 2010), Wilberforce Chambers

Joanne is ranked in Band 1 of Leading Silks for Real Estate Litigation by Chambers & Partners and described as "an impressive and highly respected silk with a strong property litigation and mediation practice". Her work covers the full range of property litigation, including development agreements and other property contracts, real property issues such as easements and restrictive covenants, title disputes and landlord and tenant matters including rent review, dilapidations and forfeiture. A substantial proportion of Joanne's practice is concerned with professional liability and she deals with claims against solicitors, barristers, surveyors, managing agents and others in the property world. Joanne acts as a legal adviser to arbitrators and experts as well as an advocate in arbitrations and expert determinations and is an accredited mediator. She is recognised as delivering "top-tier advice, dealing with knotty issues in a clear, concise and client-friendly manner" and providing "strong legal analysis combined with a real understanding of the commercial drivers."



Paul Addison, Managing Director DevAssist Ltd

Paul has been involved in the residential housing industry for more than 25 years. He has been responsible for the formation of three highly successful companies and created many imaginative and very profitable housing developments. He has a great overview of the industry with skills in land identification, planning, risk elimination, sales and marketing. Paul also created DevAssist's product range that offers the public a unique insight into any potential developments that could impact on their future.



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