# Personal injury update - autumn 2021



## 16 September - The Nottingham Belfry, Nottingham

Attend in person

## 29 September - Worsley Park, Manchester and Live streamed

Hybrid event: Choose to attend in person or view virtually

APIL's PI updates bring you all the very latest on PI and caselaw. There is so much content, they run twice a year – nothing is ever repeated.

Our six monthly update is back for the autumn! Written and presented by top expert practitioners, professional presenters and JPIL case digest editors, APIL vice president Brett Dixon and APIL secretary John McQuater will teach you everything you need to know in their usual lively and entertaining way.

We are all very excited to be back on the road again and we're also delighted to offer our Manchester date as a hybrid event, which means that delegates can either choose to attend in person or view the programme virtually, via APIL's dedicated training app. Places are very limited at the venues themselves, so please do book early if you would like to attend in person.

Areas and cases to be covered are as follows\*:

#### **RTA**

- · Contributory negligence
- Apportionment and overlap with clinical negligence claims
- · Highway authorities and ice
  - Burden of proof
- · Responsibilities of businesses adjacent to the highway
  - Traffic schemes
  - Construction sites

#### **Employers liability**

- Post Enterprise Act
- · Responsibilities of parent companies
- · Vicarious liability update
  - Religious groups
  - Care homes
- · Police and dynamic risk assessments

#### **Damages**

- · Dealing with dividends
- Wrongful birth

#### **Procedure**

- The latest CPR updates
- Dishonesty
- Relief from sanctions
- Witnesses and memory
- Costs
  - Recovery from the client and informed consent
  - Issue based costs orders and conduct
  - Costs budgets and variation
- Part 36

#### Negligence, public and occupier's liability update

- Assumption of responsibility
  - Tortious liability of local authorities
- · Psychiatric harm and secondary victims
- · Insurance policies and exclusions of liability

Accredited by: APIL - all levels CPD - 6 hours

\*Topics may be subject to change

## **Attend in person**

- Valuable face-to-face networking opportunities
- Electronic course materials
- Participate in live Q&A sessions
- Receive a copy of the recording at the end of the series
- Mid-morning and mid-afternoon refreshments
- Sit-down lunch

## Virtual only package

- View the conference programme live, via APIL's conference app - either on your desktop or mobile device
- View sessions on demand for 6 months after the live event date
- · Electronic course materials
- Participate in Q&A via your keyboard

Registration and recording links are unique to individual delegates and must not be shared

# **OUR SPEAKERS**



### **BRETT DIXON**

### **APIL Joint Vice President, Brett Dixon Training**

Brett Dixon is a senior fellow of APIL. He is a consultant personal injury solicitor based in Lancashire with Smith Jones (Solicitors) Limited. He also runs Brett Dixon Training Limited delivering specialist legal training throughout the UK for APIL and in-house for firms.

He was appointed in 2015 as a solicitor member of the Civil Procedure Rule Committee and has recently been asked to serve a further term in that position He is a member of their subcommittee dealing with reform of the court system and implementation of the pilot schemes for the online court system. Recently he has been a member of the sub-committees redrafting the Disease and Illness Pre-action protocol for resolution of

package travel claims. He is also a member of the HMCTS professional engagement group.

Brett is also a member of the Ministry of Justice Steering Group and Legal Sub-Group for whiplash reform. He is the vice-chair of the Civil Justice Council Low Value Claims Working Group

Brett is an active member of the APIL executive committee and was elected by the membership of APIL to be the vice president 2016-2017. Brett became president of APIL in May 2017, and agreed to serve a further term as President, being appointed for a second time at the annual conference in 2018. He was re-elected as joint vice president in May 2020. He was previously the secretary of APIL's costs and funding special interest group for three terms.

He delivers training regularly on behalf of APIL via webinars and face to face courses including at the annual conference and other conferences. Brett also tours the UK annually writing and delivering the 'PI update' and 'Accidents at work' update courses.



## JOHN McQUATER

APIL Secretary
Director of Switalskis Solicitors Limited and
Head of Litigation at Atherton Godfrey LLP (Part of the Switalskis Group)

John McQuater qualified as a solicitor in 1983 and is a director of Switalskis Solicitors Limited and Head of Litigation at Atherton Godfrey LLP (part of the Switalskis Group) where he has overall responsibility for the personal injury, clinical negligence and dispute resolution teams.

He is a member of the Law Society Clinical Negligence Accreditation Scheme and a member of the Law Society Personal Injury Accreditation Scheme (as well as being an assessor for that scheme).

He is an APIL Accredited Clinical Negligence Specialist, an APIL Accredited Brain Injury Specialist and an APIL Accredited Fatal Accident Specialist (also being an assessor for each of those schemes).

He is a solicitor advocate, with rights of audience in the Higher Courts for all civil proceedings.

He is a member of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers, with accredited status as a senior fellow. He was elected to the APIL executive committee in 2005, he was the APIL president from 2009 to 2010, then re-elected to the executive committee in 2012 before being elected as the APIL secretary in 2016.

He is also a member of the Forum of Complex Injury Solicitors, the Professional Negligence Lawyers Association, the Law Management Section of the Law Society, the South Yorkshire Medico-Legal Society and the Solicitors' Association of Higher Court Advocates.

He was appointed to the Civil Procedure Rule Committee in 2019 and to the Law Society Civil Justice Committee in 2020.

He provides professional training on a range of subjects including procedure, practice management, occupiers' liability, contributory negligence, clinical negligence and evidence as well as regular updates on developments in the law. He has chaired sessions, and spoken, at many conferences including the APIL annual conference, the APIL clinical negligence conference, the APIL catastrophic injury conference and the APIL business conference.

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Date and location	Corporate accredited £205 + VAT	Member £240 + VAT	Non-member £355 + VAT
16 September - Nottingham (in-person)			
29 September - Manchester (in-person)			
29 September - Manchester (VIRTUAL)			

Bulk booking discount: Pay for five delegates and get one additional place for free\*.

To take advantage of this offer, please return your completed booking form, book online or contact the APIL office at training@apil.org.uk.

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