

# Accidents at work 2024

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Learn about the latest developments in work related incidents this year, with an in depth look at vicarious liability and how to approach work at height cases.

This one-day virtual event, presented by APIL secretary Brett Dixon, will cover:

### Winning vicarious liability cases

- The changed approach needed after the Enterprise Act
  - Understanding the principles underpinning the introduction of vicarious liability
    - Loss spreading and deference
    - Enterprise risk
  - The relationship test
    - When a non-employer may be held to be vicariously liable and then to consider the quasi-employment factors
  - The two elements to the sufficiently close connection test
    - The nature of the work undertaken
    - The need for a link to the wrongdoing complained of
  - Building a checklist based on the tailored test in vicarious liability to assess risk in taking on cases and practical issues
  - Identifying evidence and spending your time effectively to support meeting the sufficiently close connection test

### Arguing work at height cases - fundamentals

- The fundamentals
  - What is a work at height case?
  - The duty holders

- Risk assessment and the hierarchy of measures approach
- Practical matters
- The latest cases
  - Contributory negligence
  - Identifying the breach and the system of work
  - Falls from height
  - The interaction with the Occupiers Liability Act 1957

### Regulations and case law update

- The latest cases on the Enterprise Act
  - The relevance of the regulations to the negligence test
  - Understanding the role of statutory interpretation tests
- Contributory Negligence
- Risk Assessment in quasi-employment situations
- Limitation issues
- Applications for inspection facilities
- Material contribution - latest from Court of Appeal

***"Brett was very engaging. He spoke in a way that was enjoyable and easy to understand without over complicating it".***

### Speaker details:



BRETT DIXON is a consultant solicitor with higher rights of audience for all civil proceedings. His specialism is civil procedure and a specific interest in catastrophic personal injury work. He also owns and runs a firm providing training and consultancy services in relation to personal injury, technology and practice development.

He has been the president of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers on two occasions and is the current APIL secretary (elected in May 2022). He is also a Law Society council member and the chair of the Law Society Civil Justice Committee. He is a senior fellow of APIL and chair of the Senior Fellow Appointments Committee. He is involved in decisions in relation to interventions in civil proceedings recently including *Belsner v Cam* and *Ho v Adekun*.

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