

PI update - autumn 2025



Building a Brighter Future
for Injured People

ATTEND IN-PERSON

Ramada by Wyndham, Belfast - Monday, 15 September (Tailored for NI) Presented by Brett Dixon

Marriott Marble Arch Hotel, London - Thursday, 25 September

TBC, Manchester - Monday, 29 September

Digby Brown Offices, Edinburgh - Thursday, 30 October (Tailored for Scotland)

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Written and presented by expert practitioners, professional presenters, APIL Senior Fellows and JPIL case digest editors: Brett Dixon and John McQuater.

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All dates will include:*

• Road traffic collisions

- Ex Turpi Causa
- Passenger on a stolen motorcycle
- Liability of insurers and relevant factors to consider
- Failure to secure a vehicle and the liability of the police for injuries
- Misfeasance in public office by failure to investigate an RTC properly
- Employers Liability

• Employers Liability:

- Mental health
- The impact of internal investigations
- COVID-19 and provision of protection in the workplace
- Exposure to toxic fumes and liability
- Acoustic shock and the requirements to establish it

• Negligence, public and occupier's liability update:

- Professional negligence and loss of a chance
- Secondary victims
- Contaminated blood products liability
- E-scooters and the public highway
- Local authorities and anti-slip measures
- Liability for sexual assault within marriage

• Procedure and Costs

- CPR Update – what is happening and what to look out for next
- Part 36 and service quiz
- Medical testing facilities
- Costs in low value claims and court criticism
- Vulnerable parties
- Non-party costs orders and credit hire companies
- Appropriate protocols and costs
- Disclosure in group proceedings
- Court jurisdiction, acts of a foreign state and football fans
- Damages

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- Historical sexual and physical abuse
- Recoverability of payments to fund rehabilitation where a contribution order is made

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Speakers

BRETT DIXON

APIL Secretary, Brett Dixon Training



Brett 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*.

He has been a member of the Civil Procedure Rule Committee for six years.

Separately, he is a member of the advisory group to the Ministry of Justice on the Official Injuries Claims system and has assisted 3rd sector groups in preparing guidance documents to that system. He is currently working with the Civil Justice Council on its report on updating pre-action protocols and MOJ officials in relation to dispute resolution.

He is a member of the Lexis Nexis Consulting Editorial Board and is currently writing a guide to accidents at work. He is the case and digest editor for the Journal of Personal Injury Law produced by Thomsons Reuters. He is regularly consulted by the legal press in relation to personal injury matters and has spoken at Westminster Policy Forums, the ABI conference, the APIL conference and Law Society conferences, Radio 4, local radio and BBC News.

He has given evidence to Parliament on several occasions in relation to civil proceedings and is regularly consulted by civil servants and the senior judiciary as well.

JOHN McQUATER

APIL Past President

Director of Switalskis Solicitors Limited



John McQuater qualified as a solicitor in 1983 and is a director of Switalskis Solicitors Limited where he is joint head of personal injury and a member of the complex injury team.

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 had, whilst the scheme was operation, catastrophic injury accreditation from the Law Society.

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, was the APIL president from 2009 to 2010, re-elected to the executive committee in 2012, became APIL secretary in 2016 and re-elected as APIL president for 2022-2023.

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 a member of the Civil Procedure Rule Committee from 2019 and has been on the Law Society Civil Justice Committee from 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 brain and spinal injury conference and the APIL business conference.

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