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NEW APPOINTMENT TO APIL OFFICERS

Barrister and former academic, Allan Gore, has been elected treasurer of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers.

Allan takes up his post after ten years' service on the association's executive committee, and hopes his background at the Bar will help to promote the need for solicitors and barristers to work together on behalf of injured people.

“While we still have a divided profession, it is barristers and solicitors working together and acting as a team which will promote the provision of quality services for claimants,” he said.

“I hope I will be able to contribute to a highly dedicated team of officers and executive committee members by helping to analyse current legal issues and argue aspects of the law as they are viewed from a barrister's perspective.”

Allan's particular interests lie in asbestos litigation, occupational disease, clinical negligence, brain and psychiatric injury. He is also keen to promote ongoing improvement in the provision of legal services and will be campaigning for legislation to implement long-standing Law Commission recommendations on issues such as the reform of tort law, levels of general damages and damages for psychiatric injury.

He graduated from Cambridge in 1974, was called to the Bar in 1977, and worked as an academic in the 1970s and early '80s as a senior lecturer in law and course director of the law degree at what is now Southbank University.

Allan was appointed Assistant Recorder in 1999 and Recorder in 2000. He lives with his partner, Alison, and their four children in Beckenham.

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