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**APIL WELCOMES THREE NEWCOMERS ONTO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Three new faces have been welcomed onto APIL's executive committee at its annual conference today (6 April)

David Bott is a managing partner of specialist personal injury firm Bott & Co in Wilmslow, Cheshire. An APIL member since 2002, David says his appointment onto the committee will give him an opportunity "to provide a voice for the under-represented, small to medium sized practices."

Also joining the committee is Victoria Mortimer-Harvey of Pattinson & Brewer. Based in London, she has worked exclusively for trade union firms for the past 18 years. Her extensive experience includes industrial disease claims, severe and fatal injuries. She is particularly keen to ensure rehabilitation "is an accepted part of a claim, including physiotherapy and counselling."

Karl Tonks is based at Manchester firm Fentons, where he is head of employers' liability claims. Karl is keen to assist with what he describes as APIL's "vital role" in campaigning on behalf of injured people. Karl has also been a Law Society Personal Injury Panel assessor since 2000.

Returning to the executive committee for another term are Muiris Lyons of Alexander Harris in London, and Amanda Stevens of Charles Russell in Guildford.

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