

17 September 2012

Dear Member

## **APIL NORTH EAST REGIONAL GROUP - AN INVITATION**

We would like to invite you to attend the forthcoming North East regional group meeting which is taking place at St James Park:

Date: Wednesday, 17 October 2012

Time: 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Venue: St James Park  
Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE1 LST

We are pleased to welcome **Nigel Tomkins** and **Simon Philpott** who will both be speaking at the meeting. Please see the enclosed flyer for further details on the speaker and topic and how to register.

This meeting has been accredited with 1CPD hour, reference 2027/APIL. Established practising barristers can count this 1 hour towards their unaccredited CPD allowance.

If you have not yet been to an APIL North East regional group meeting, please do try to attend as they are an invaluable source of information and an excellent chance to network. Members wishing to bring along a guest may do so at the cost of £15.00 + VAT per guest. Each guest must be sympathetic to the aims of the association and considering taking up membership themselves. Numbers are limited and therefore members will take precedence.

### **Forthcoming training and events:**

*(to be confirmed - awaiting marketing info)*

**NB. Please could delegates bring along their own calculators to the meeting.**

We look forward to seeing you there!

Yours sincerely

Joanne Willits  
Co-ordinator

Sarah Morse  
Secretary

**APIL NORTH EAST REGIONAL GROUP  
WEDNESDAY, 17 OCTOBER 2012**

**Speakers:**

***“Beyond the PI update”***



**By Nigel Tomkins, APIL EC Officer**

Nigel Tomkins is an executive committee member and fellow of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers. He became the treasurer of APIL on 19th April 2012. He is also the digest editor of JPIL, the Journal of Personal Injury Law.

Formerly associate professor of civil litigation with the College of Law and consultant director of APIL Training, Nigel is an independent training and legal consultant and a working consultant with Freeth Cartwright LLP, Nottingham. Nigel has over three decades of experience as a specialist personal injury lawyer.

Nigel was a working party member on Lord Woolf's civil justice review and is a co-author of the Pre-Action Protocols on Personal Injury and Occupational Disease. He was the original author of the chapter on "Pre Action Protocols and the New Culture" in the Law Society of England and Wales' Civil Litigation Handbook. Published works include the TUC Guide "How to Win an RSI Compensation Claim", "CFAs and Risk Assessment in Practice" with Claire Edwards, the "APIL Guide to Accidents at Work" with Matthew Stockwell and Michael Humphreys. He has been a contributing author to "The Source Book on Asbestos Diseases".

Nigel has published many articles related to personal injury litigation. He provides training to law firms throughout Great Britain. He lectures, advises and trains widely on a variety of legal, health and safety and other subjects throughout the British Isles. He has also spoken at a number of international conferences in Europe and the USA.

To relax, Nigel enjoys good food, fine wine and spending time with his grandchildren.

***“Calculating loss of earnings to the self-employed - A practical course for lawyers involved in personal injury claims”***



**By Simon Philpott, Senior Manager, Smith & Williamson**

Simon has specialised in forensic accounting for over 15 years and has extensive experience in the preparation of reports and quantification of losses in personal injury, clinical negligence and fatal accident cases. He also has experience of working in large commercial disputes, including breach of contract, misrepresentation and business interruption, and acts for claimants, defendants and as a single joint expert. Simon regularly provides training to lawyers on topics covering the quantification of losses, including pensions loss and loss of benefit.

**ALSO FOLLOWED BY:**

**Nigel Tomkins, APIL EC Officer, giving an update on “Current EC activities within APIL”**

**Chaired by:**

**Joanne Willits**, Sintons, APIL North East regional group co-ordinator

**Sarah Morse**, University of Northumbria, APIL North East regional group secretary

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Please reserve a place at the above meeting for:

Name: ..... Membership number: .....

Firm/chambers: .....

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