

19 September 2013

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, 2 October 2013

Time: 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Venue: St James Park
Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE1 LST

We are pleased to welcome **Deborah Evans (APIL Chief Executive), Nigel Tomkins and Sam Ellis** who will 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.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Yours sincerely

Joanne Willits
Co-ordinator

Kirsty Allen
Secretary

APIL NORTH EAST REGIONAL GROUP

WEDNESDAY, 2 OCTOBER 2013

Speakers:

“Current EC activities within APIL”



By Deborah Evans, APIL Chief Executive

Deborah is the chief executive of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers (APIL). She is not a lawyer, but has more than 20 years' experience working in the legal sector in management roles. Deborah has an MBA from Nottingham Trent University.

Deborah is an alternate director for Portal Co, the organisation responsible for the running of the RTA portal, and sits on the editorial board of the Journal of Personal Injury Law (JPIL).

Deborah is actively involved in campaigning on legal reform, with a strong grasp of the impact of policy changes on both injured people and firms. She is keen to drive innovation in the delivery of legal services, and maintain the quality of advice given by APIL members at the highest levels.

Outside of work, Deborah is chair of governors for the local school. She also writes and appears in pantomime, having starred as Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty, Prince Charming, Maid Marion, the Genie of the Lamp, and more recently due to ageing, as an ogre.

“Loss of civil liability in accidents at work”



By Nigel Tomkins, APIL Treasurer

Nigel has four decades of experience as a specialist personal injury lawyer. He is a fellow of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers. Having served a number of terms as an executive committee member, Nigel became the treasurer of APIL on 19 April 2012.

Formerly associate professor of Civil Litigation with the College of Law and consultant director of APIL Training; he is now an independent training and legal consultant in addition to being a working consultant with Freeth Cartwright LLP, Nottingham. Nigel is also the digest editor of JPIL, the Journal of Personal Injury Law.

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.

ALSO FOLLOWED BY:

“An insight into APIL parliamentary lobbying, and how you can get involved”

By Sam Ellis, Parliamentary Officer, APIL

As parliamentary officer, Sam delivers APIL’s political message to politicians in Westminster, Edinburgh, Cardiff and Belfast.

Chaired by:

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