

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHERN FORUM
DE VERE GRAND HARBOUR SOUTHAMPTON
4PM 11TH DECEMBER 2008

There were 16 attendees in attendance with Southern Region Co-Ordinator David Pinto and the 4 speakers Laura Elfield, Warren Collins, Matthew Stockwell and Edwina Rawson.

David Pinto opened proceedings with some housekeeping and asked that all mobile phones be switched to silent or off and also asked people to announce themselves when speaking and indicate which firm they were from, and that discussion and comment was to be welcomed throughout the sessions.

David Pinto then proceeded to inform the group that he had written to all the Courts in the South of England asking for any topical updates or directions in the field of personal injury within the last 12 months and he received 3 replies from Aldershot & Farnham who indicated that they had a documentation only procedure for child cases with a low value quantum, and the Portsmouth County Court replied saying that Mesothelioma cases would be dealt with by District Judge Cawood and District Judge Manuel, and Southampton reported just saying that they had nothing to report.

David Pinto then introduced the four speakers Laura Elfield, Warren Collins, Matthew Stockwell and Edwina Rawson who spoke on their specified subjects and there was interaction with the audience and discussion over some topical subjects.

There was a buffet at 6.00 pm and the meeting finished at 6.30 pm having started at about 4.30 pm.

The date and venue of the next meeting is to be decided and announced.