

Association of Personal Injury Lawyers

GROUPS

Minutes of North West regional group 25/1/2017

Radisson Blu Edwardian, Manchester

Main theme(s)

- **Vicarious liability**
Jonathan Dale, 18 St Johns Street Chambers
- **QOCS and fundamental dishonesty**
Toby Sasse, 18 St Johns Street Chambers

Chair		APIL REG Coordinator Damian Bradley APIL REG Secretary Kimberley Kirkby
Speakers		APIL campaign activity at a glance Neil Sugarman, GLP Solicitors
Attendees	Name SEE ATTACHED CPD SIGNING SHEET	Firm SEE ATTACHED CPD SIGNING SHEET – regardless of who signed, there were 33 attendees + speakers + Neil Sugarman + Kimberley and Damian.

Preliminary

Kimberley undertook the usual introductions, welcoming everyone to the meeting, outlining what speakers we have with us and giving the usual health and safety notices about the meeting

Damian then went over a set of puzzles / dingbats with the audience to provoke audience participation which was very successful in getting the conversation going – winners were James Barker from Kirwins and Steve Farmer from Slater Heelis

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APIL EC update

The details of the EC updates are intentionally omitted from the minutes at a time of fast moving development. The APIL office can be contacted for details of all current EC activity and initiatives.

Neil Sugarman, via power point presentation gave an update on EC activity including the government consultation on whiplash and increase in SCT limit, HMRC histories / delay etc

Vicarious Liability

Jonathan Dale

A copy of the presentation slides and a further reference paper/handout are available and filed with these minutes.

Update on the law in respect of vicarious liability

Review of the relevant case law

Assessment / remarks over the current case law and the direction of vicarious liability cases in the future

QOCS and Fundamental Dishonesty

Toby Sasse

Presentation slides not used. Copy presentation attached.

Overview of the sections that relate to fundamental dishonesty

Explanation of the case law

Practical practice tips in dealing with cases

Closing remarks

Damian invited questions of the speakers personally as the talk ran over by 10 minutes. Various people stayed at the end to discuss issues with Neil Sugarman and with the speakers.

Overall the meeting was well received and a success.

Kimberley Kirkby
31/1/2017