

Costs update - autumn 2019 Everything you need to know!

Friday, 20 September
12:00 - 13:00

The webinar, presented by APIL immediate past-president Brett Dixon, and current costs special interest group co-ordinator Gary Barker will cover:

- Is your letter without prejudice or without prejudice save as to costs?
- Proportionality - changes to schedules, what is the amount in dispute?
- Proportionality and ATE premiums
- Budgeting – how much does the judge have to explain his/her decision?
- Budgeting – What makes a submitted budget improper?
- Costs penalties for non compliant bundles
- Costs assessment and finding of overuse of counsel
- Costs recovery for inquest in main action
- Is full hearing after provisional assessment a completely fresh assessment?
- Failure to notify opponent of recoverable CFA – Should relief be granted?
- All the latest cases
- Latest news on Whiplash and Small claims
- Latest news on fixed costs up to £100,000

Speakers



Brett Dixon is a senior fellow of APIL and current immediate vice president. He works as a personal injury solicitor in Lancashire dealing primarily with employers' liability matters and catastrophic injuries.

Appointed in 2015 as a solicitor member of the Civil Procedure Rule Committee and a member of their sub-committee tasked with rewriting the disease and illness pre-action protocol.

Brett is an active member of the APIL executive committee and was elected by the membership of APIL to be the vice president 2016-2017. He delivers training regularly on behalf of APIL via webinars and face to face courses including at the annual conference and national costs conferences. Brett also tours the UK annually providing the 'Accidents at work' update course.



Gary Barker qualified as a solicitor in 1982. He spent 20 years with two high street practices, specialising in civil litigation and personal injury work. At both firms he took on responsibility for practice development which was to see a fourfold increase in their growth.

He also took on a part-time training role, working for a number of course providers and, with the advent of the Woolf reforms, was soon presenting courses virtually full time. From 2001 to 2004 he was head of practice development at the Law Society.

Gary is now a practising solicitor again, which he combines with being a costs consultant and a freelance trainer. Gary is an assistant lecturer at the Open University.