APIL webinars



Serving the claim form: what traps are defendants now setting?

Tuesday, 17 March 11:00 - 12:00

This webinar, presented by APIL Secretary, John McQuater will cover:

- A reminder of the rules, as interpreted by the latest case law
- The danger where solicitors are acting, but are not the address for service
- The danger where solicitors, whilst not acting, are the address for service
- How and where can solicitors, who are instructed to accept service, be served?
- What are the latest Defendant tactics?
- Why do claimants get into difficulties?
- All the latest developments on this risky stage of the litigation process

Technical requirements

You will need access to the internet on your PC, plus audio speakers. If you do not have access to speakers you will be able to receive audio via a phone line. Further information on how to log on to the webinar will be sent via email a week before the event.



John McQuater qualified as a solicitor in 1983 and is a partner at Atherton Godfrey, Doncaster, where he is head of litigation with overall responsibility for the personal injury, clinical negligence, employment and dispute resolution teams.

He is a member of the Law Society Clinical Negligence Accreditation Scheme and of the Law Society Personal Injury Accreditation Scheme and also an assessor for that scheme. He is a member of the APIL Clinical Negligence Specialist Accreditation Scheme and an assessor for that scheme.

He is a member of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers, with accredited status as a senior fellow.

He was elected to the APIL executive committee in 2005, was APIL president from 2009 to 2010, then re-elected to the executive committee in 2012 before being elected as APIL secretary in 2016. He is also a member of the Forum of Complex Injury Solicitors, the Professional Negligence Lawyers Association, the Law Management Section of the Law Society, the South Yorkshire Medico-Legal Society and the Solicitors' Association of Higher Court Advocates.

He provides professional training on a range of subjects including procedure, practice management, occupiers' liability, contributory negligence, clinical negligence and evidence as well as regular updates on developments in the law. He has chaired sessions, and spoken, at many conferences including APIL annual conferences, APIL clinical negligence conferences, the APIL catastrophic injuries conference and APIL business conferences.