

Where are we now with QOCS?

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Understanding the scope, and protection given by, QOCS is essential for claimant practitioners.

This webinar will review where the law has got to in 2020 including:

- What claims does QOCS apply to - what is a “personal-injury “claim?
- What about a counterclaim by the defendant?
- What about a part 20 defendant brought in by the defendant or joinder of further defendants by the claimant?
- What about an appeal?
- Can the defendant set off any costs that may be due to the claimant?
- And a reminder of the exceptions to QOCS

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.



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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.