



Current Issues in Personal Injury & Disease Litigation

An Essential Update for Practitioners

The Queens Hotel, Leeds
Thursday 2nd October 2008
9.30am – 1pm



9.30am COFFEE AND REGISTRATION

10.00am INTRODUCTION
By Michael Kent QC

10.10am **PULLING THE TRIGGER:** David Platt outlines recent developments in asbestos litigation including the recent attempt by a group of insurers to change the face of asbestos litigation via the Employer's Liability "Trigger" Litigation.

10.40am **LIABILITY AND PROCEDURE UPDATE: WHAT'S NEW?** Steven Snowden and Rosanna Hellebronth outline the most important recent developments in liability and procedure for personal injuries claims.

11.20am COFFEE

11.40am **"ALL ABOARD THE SKYLARK...":** Andrew Davis looks at the long-awaited and controversial proposals for reform of personal injury claims and considers what the future might hold.

12.10pm **BE REASONABLE! CURRENT ISSUES IN LOSS OF EARNINGS AND CARE CLAIMS:** Patrick Blakesley discusses recent judicial decisions on claims for future loss of earnings and future care. In particular he examines how judges are treating Ogden 6, and how they interpret the concept of "reasonableness" in care claims.

12.40pm QUESTIONS FOLLOWED BY LUNCH

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