



# Institute of Professional Legal Studies

## Mediation Course – Register interest

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The Institute of Professional Legal Studies (IPLS) at Queen's University invites registrations from solicitors, barristers and members of the Judiciary wishing to attend a Mediation Training Course in Autumn 2017.

The IPLS mediation course offers training in civil and commercial mediation and comprises 40+ hours including training, private study, lectures, practical exercises, reflective learning and group study over an 8 week period. The course includes assessment feedback to all participants. This is the longest established lawyer's mediation training course in Northern Ireland.

The course will run for **8 evenings** each Wednesday from early September until the end of October at IPLS Lennoxvale, Belfast. There will also be an all day Saturday programme on 21<sup>st</sup> October.

The course is delivered by experienced local practitioners:-

- Brian Speers, Solicitor, Mediator.
- David Gaston, Solicitor, Mediator.
- Alva Brangam Q.C. Mediator.

Additional local legal practitioner mediators (solicitors and barristers and Judges) support the formal lectures and tutorial input. Attendance at the course will allow an application to be made for inclusion on the Law Society Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) mediator's panel. Participation and completion of the course is accepted as approved training for purposes of the DRS and the Bar Mediation panels.

The nature of the course means that the maximum numbers attending is restricted and anyone interested is asked to apply **immediately**. The course is open to solicitors and barristers with 5 years post qualification experience and to members of the Judiciary. The cost will be **£1,950.00** per person. This compares extremely favourably with mediation training course fees offered by other providers.

If you wish to take up a place please contact **Claire Armstrong, Institute of Professional Legal Studies, 10 Lennoxvale, Belfast, BT9 5BY. Tel. No. 028 90 975699 or c.a.armstrong@qub.ac.uk**

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Comments from previous participants on the course attest to the quality and value of the course

*“Having participated in many CPD courses, I certainly feel that this has been the most beneficial and without doubt the most enjoyable”*

*“I enjoyed the course immensely and considered it to be well structured and provided real value for money”*

*“I thoroughly enjoyed the course and could not recommend it more highly”*

*“the course was extremely well taught, well thought out and presented. The course tutors and guest speakers spoke authoritatively on the subject and their enthusiasm was infectious.*