

Refreshers Series 2010

THE **LAW SOCIETY**
OF NORTHERN IRELAND



Following on from the highly successful “Marketing your Firm in 2010” seminar and the forthcoming “Maximising Client Relationships for Solicitors”, the Society’s Practice Development Committee are pleased to announce a series of CPD events aimed at continuing to help firms grow their business.

Successful firms are those who are capable of adapting to the needs of a tumultuous market and who capitalise on the needs of their existing clients as well as attract new business.

The beginning of a new decade is an ideal time to take stock of your business and plan for the future. With this in mind, the Society’s Practice Development Committee have organised a series of “refresher” style courses for 2010 to update practitioners on legal developments in the following areas:

- Magistrates Courts Practice
- Criminal Law
- Civil Litigation

The course content is designed particularly for solicitors who have some prior experience in the field but who do *not* practice in this area on a regular basis. The seminars will provide a useful recap of significant legal developments over the past 5-7years and aim to equip practitioners with the knowledge to diversify their business and offer a broader range of services to their clients.

Modern Magistrates Court Practice- An overview

Friday 7 May

Lecture Suite, Law Society House, Belfast

Looking at Court procedure and practice, jurisdiction, preparation for contests, sentencing policy, and developments in Road Traffic law, Noel Phoenix of Trevor Smyth and Co will provide a useful toolkit of knowledge covering practice and procedure in the Modern Magistrates Court.

COST: £20

CPD hours: 1

TIME: 3.30pm-4.30pm (registration and refreshments at 3.15)

Important Developments in Criminal Practice

Monday 24 May

Lecture Suite, Law Society House, Belfast

Experienced criminal law practitioner Noel Phoenix will provide an overview of the significant developments in criminal practice addressing in particular the topics of hearsay, special measures applications, bad character, “Rooney” hearings and the definition of public place.

COST: £20

CPD hours: 1

TIME: 3.30-4.30pm (registration and refreshments at 3.15)

Civil Litigation- “The Basics”

Friday 25 June

Lecture Suite, Law Society House, Belfast

Stephen Scott will share with attendees his vast experience in private practice at this seminar providing a basic overview of developments in the field. In particular, Stephen will look at protocols and letters of claim, RTA and Industrial, construction and slipping Accidents, Contractual disputes, basic negotiation and checklists in addition to other pertinent issues.

COST: £20

CPD hours: 1.5

TIME: 3pm-4.30pm (registration and refreshments at 2.45pm)

To book a place on any of the above seminars or for further information please contact; Una Day, CPD Coordinator at CPD@lawsoc-ni.org or 02890 23 1614.

Or complete the below booking form and send with the appropriate fee to the Law Society.

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Refresher Series 2010 – Booking Form

How to book

Please complete a booking form for each delegate and forward to Una Day at Law Society of Northern Ireland, 96 Victoria Street, Belfast, BT1 3GN along with a cheque for the appropriate amount made payable to the Law Society of Northern Ireland.

Additional Information- Please read prior to booking

Cancellations: Must be advised in writing at least five working days before the course to qualify for a full refund. Cancellation received after this will incur the full fee.

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Event programmes are subject to change without notification. However if a programme changes substantially, the Law Society will endeavour to inform all delegates who have reserved a place.

Booking Form

Name of Event: Refreshers Series 2010

Date/Venue: Friday 07 May MODERN MAGISTRATES COURT PRACTICE	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monday 24 May IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS IN CRIMINAL PRACTICE	<input type="checkbox"/>
Friday 25 June CIVIL LITIGATION	<input type="checkbox"/>

Name: _____

Firm: _____

Firm Address: _____

Tel: _____ Email: _____

Cheque enclosed:

(Please note that confirmations will be sent by EMAIL ONLY)