

Dear Member,

Wishing you all a (hopefully) Covid free Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year!

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to December's Newsletter, which I hope finds you all safe and well, and looking forward to a few days off later in the month. Personally, I can't wait! Nearly every lawyer I speak to has found this year exhausting on various levels, and I think we all deserve a bit of peace and tranquillity in our lives. Before we ease ourselves into a break, I wanted to mention a couple of things.

Firstly, how honoured I was to attend The Past Presidents' Dinner as the guest of honour at the Grand Hotel on 19th November where I was able to compare notes with previous office holders (I fear there may be a photo later!). It was fascinating to listen to them reminisce about their presidencies, although frankly I think I trumped them with holding office throughout a global pandemic.

Secondly (and don't throw anything at me) I have to mention PSYROC and the SIF – our new "favourite" acronyms. I attended a virtual Law Society Town Hall Meeting about this issue on 2nd December at which I, Stephanie Boyce and presidents from local Law Societies nationwide discussed the current SRA consultation. Much was said about challenging the SRA's report on the costs of running the SIF, and on whether a levy on firms would make a sensible alternative. Above all though, was the concern about the potential impact on both consumer and (particularly sole) practitioner interests. In particular The Law Society wants to gather information on the number of post 6 year claims, and it has set up a dedicated email address – SIF@lawsociety.org – to which you are invited to provide examples or any other comments about the consultation, which ends on 15th February 2022. The Law Society has also promised to circulate a Fact Sheet which may help inform you further, and shape any comments to may wish to make to the SRA, which I will circulate as soon as it is to hand. In the meantime, I can offer you the link to an SRA webinar about the subject - <https://www.sra.org.uk/sra/news/events/> which is taking place on 16th December.

My apologies if I have lowered the tone by talking about PI insurance just before Christmas! I will now leave you in relative peace and wish you all a wonderful break.

Lucy Tarrant

NEWS

- Sussex Family Solutions were recently shortlisted for the "The Working in Collaboration Award" which recognises members who have made a difference to families by working together with other professionals, sharing expertise in innovative ways to help clients achieve the best solutions. Gilva Tisshaw of **Tisshaws Solicitors** was shortlisted for the Resolution Resilience Award for going above and beyond to support staff and clients through the challenges of the pandemic.
- **Old Bailey Solicitors** are delighted to welcome three new paralegals to our team: Kelsey Reid, Matt Bishop and Charles Taylor. Our new starters have all demonstrated a genuine interest in not only pursuing a career in criminal law, but wanting to help people, and we are extremely pleased to have them on board.

- **Bate & Albon Solicitors** are delighted to announce that their Worthing branch will be moving to new larger premises at 9 Ardsheal Road, Worthing, BN14 7RN on Friday 3rd December, and will be back open for business as usual on Monday 6th December. The current telephone and fax numbers will remain the same.
- **Coole Bevis LLP** is delighted to announce the appointment of Maria Puglisi who has joined the management team as Practice Director. Maria has over eight years' experience of practice management, as well as a further five years working in a similar role in Italy. She joins from National Legal Service Solicitors. In addition, she is completing her studies with a view to qualifying as a Chartered Legal Executive in 2022. Maria's arrival marks the final change to the management team, following the arrival of Paula Jeffrey, Business Development Manager and Georgina Holton, HR Manager who were recruited earlier in the year. Louisa Anderson, Head of Accounts was also promoted to Partner in October.
- In the same year that **Family Law Partners** has celebrated its 10th anniversary, the award-winning team has been recognised at the industry-leading Family Law Awards 2021, winning two categories: Family Law Firm of the Year (South) and Family Law Dispute Resolution Team of the Year at the event in London on 24th November. The team's recognition at the Family Law Awards follows the recent news of inclusion in The Times Best Law Firms 2022.
- **Bate & Albon Solicitors** are pleased to announce that Ricky Coleman has joined them as a Partner and Head of Residential Landlord & Tenant. Also, Iris Bennett, a Licensed Conveyancer who will be working from our Worthing Office, has joined as a consultant.
- **Loch Associates Group** have extended their services and now provide immigration support and advice for clients. If you or any of your clients need any immigration support then please contact Solicitor and Director Alex Kiernan on 01273 311 855 or email Alex on Alex.kiernan@lochassociates.co.uk. You can find more information on all their devices Loch Associates offers on their website www.LochAssociates.co.uk

PAST PRESIDENTS' DINNER

What a lovely photo of many of our past presidents who attended the past presidents' dinner on 19th November with our current president, Lucy Tarrant, glamorously taking centre stage! This annual event is a wonderful tradition and always a thoroughly enjoyable evening. The presidents over the years have, without exception, given so much time and energy representing and promoting our members' interests and deserve huge thanks and recognition for that which has kept our Society alive and kicking since it was formed in 1860!!

Back Row (left to right) Julian Hunt, John Healy, Veronica Hamilton-Deeley, Mick Barry, Emma Weir, Oliver Maxwell-Jones, Gilva Tisshaw, Tim Aspinall. Front Row (left to right) Jacqueline Hardaway, Richard Stewart, Jane Wells, Lucy Tarrant, Hugo Hunt, Maureen Samuels and Michael Long.



ONE-TO-ONE RESILIENCE COACHING FOR THE LEGAL PROFESSION

This one-to-one personal resilience coaching is designed to increase awareness of your individual resilience strengths and areas that would benefit from some development. With the help of a confidential self-report psychometric, you will have the opportunity to gain insight into the aspects of your personality that will help you withstand pressure. During the 90-minute feedback session (via Zoom), you will learn strategies for managing pressure and surviving difficult situations where your coping capacity might be stretched.

This coaching programme is delivered by Christine Stobbs, an ABP Certified Principal Business Psychologist, BACP Registered Psychotherapist, and an Executive Coach. She has considerable experience of working with members of the Legal profession and has an understanding of the pressures that they face.

Christine has run a resilience training programme for government analysts for several years, as well as delivering workshops to the commercial sector and writing about resilience for firefighters and vets.

Cost: £250 plus VAT.

For further information, please contact Christine Stobbs - chris@dohertystobbs.co.uk

REGULATORY MATTERS – ‘HAVE YOUR SAY’

Whilst your Committee is tasked to Report and not comment on any issues, particularly if controversial, views are invited from members and with consent can be referred to in any Response to Consultations which the Sussex Law Society itself might submit.

One such issue of particular relevance to the protection of sole practitioners and consumers at large is the very recent decision by the SRA to effectively close the SIF next October. This debate

surrounding post six year run-off cover has been rumbling on during its two year extension and following research and examination of the market, it is deemed to be disproportionately expensive for the extent of cover being afforded. The SRA is to consider all options, to include a new funding arrangement or Solicitors paying more for their indemnity cover.

Also covered in recent Newsletter Reports has been the gradual increase of visits made and fines imposed by the SRA for non-compliance with AML requirements. In the background to this is the Treasury's "call for evidence" which expires next June and to which TLS has responded saying that the current regulations are already disproportionate and an ineffective "tick box exercise" . It prefers are more relevant risk-based approach upon which to focus. There has also been criticism of inconsistent and costly intervention by the Disciplinary Tribunal and the performance of LeO. For its part the SRA last month opened a Consultation on its proposals to increase its powers , hike up its fines, and to introduce a fast track outcome based "fixed penalty" for lower infringements and referrals . It invites views from Solicitors, Firms it Regulates, other Regulators and Consumers. The period for Consultation ends on 11th February 2022.

LEGAL SERVICES - WHO REGULATES WHO???

It can sometime be a bit confusing to remember who regulates who!! The Legal Services Board have produced a useful infographic which can be found [here](#).

COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

Wishing everyone well when Covid infections continue to rise once again feels a bit futile, as it is inevitably going to be a worrying time especially with guidance to return to working from home and not knowing what January is going to bring. However, of course our profession has shown such resolve over the past nearly two years and I know we will all continue to do so. I for one hated working from home and going back to the office after maternity leave ends in January felt like it would be a real treat! Mainly because I knew I would get a hot cup of tea! But we must once again pull together in the hope 2022 brings brighter days.

In the meantime, The Law Society continues to work hard around the SIF consultation that is live until 15/2/2022. There was a townhall meeting with various local law societies at the beginning of December which Lucy has told you about I her President's Report and, as she says, a summary note will shortly be available. There is also further guidance to be published in January to assist with consultation responses. The Law Society are particularly interested in members' experiences that show how SIF is necessary for consumer protection, for example experience of a claim being brought post 6 years. Please let us know if you have any such experiences.

There is a Council meeting on 15 December and whatever I can share from that meeting I will do so when we are back in the New Year in the January newsletter.

In the meantime wishing everyone a Merry Christmas.

Holly Goacher

IHT REDUCED REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

On 23 March 2021 the Government announced changes to reporting regulations for non-taxpaying estates. The changes will apply to deaths on or after 1 January 2022 and will mean that most non-taxpaying estates will no longer have to complete an Inheritance Tax (IHT) form to obtain probate or,

in Scotland, confirmation. Qualifying ‘excepted estates’ will instead only be required to provide three IHT estate values and make two simple declarations on the probate or confirmation application. Taxpaying estates where IHT is due are not affected by the changes. More details can be found [here](#).

FAMILY JUSTICE QUALITY CIRCLE GROUP

Quality Circle is an initiative by social workers and lawyers in Sussex who have created a self-regulating, independent group of practitioners with the aim of identifying the most effective or promising practices and bringing about beneficial change in the family justice system in Sussex. The focus is on legal proceedings concerning children and is multi-disciplinary i.e., it is open to social workers, solicitors, barristers, legal executives, academics, LA lawyers, psychologists, psychiatrists, Cafcass, ISWs and the Police. The meetings are usually attended by some local Judges also.

Those participating in Quality Circle are committed to working collaboratively and enabling relevant research, guidance and policy initiatives to be disseminated widely. The work of the group is action orientated. Our work is complemented by our Parent and Young Person Panel made up of people who have experienced the family justice system as young people or parents. The group met first in November 2017 and has met regularly ever since. The group has covered subjects such as: anti-racist practice (see our Anti-Racist Practice Statement adopted unanimously by the Sussex Family Justice Board on 6th December 2021) [here](#), the voice of the child, trauma-informed practice and domestic abuse. A good example of the group’s approach has been sessions on “Creating a Culture of Respect” inspired by an article by “Surviving Safeguarding” about how alienating many families feel Court can be. The outcome was a manifesto which was approved and adopted by the Sussex Family Justice Board and published by Nuffield Family Justice Observatory with whom we work closely. This “Culture of Respect” document lays out our guiding principles of respect, equality and inclusion.

Meetings

Meetings take place every other month. People’s time is at a premium and so the duration is generally about 75 minutes. In normal times, seating is in the round to promote discussion – since the pandemic we have moved the meetings online.

Contributions from newly qualified practitioners are particularly welcome. Participants are encouraged to identify practical examples of improvements to practice with a view to these being discussed/adopted/modified in the discussion and actioned through the Sussex Family Justice Board. Written material is disseminated regularly to the mailing list (of nearly 900 practitioners). To join our list (or be removed) email: Stuart.Taylor@1cor.com

Volunteers

The Quality Circle welcomes volunteers to help its work and provide suggestions for subjects that should be explored/research that should be disseminated.

SUSSEX FAMILY LAWYERS WELL-BEING GROUP

A Sussex Family Lawyers Well-being Group is being established, the idea behind it being to create “community in which we ditch the ‘lawyer mask,’ connect and share”. The Group is set up with the intention of creating a safe and confidential space where Family Lawyers can meet and support each other. It is proposed to meet monthly (at least initially) at the Canvas Coffee Shop www.canvascoffeecompany.co.uk located at The Phoenix Art Gallery, 10-14 Waterloo Place, Brighton, BN2 9NB from 4.30pm until 7pm for coffee, cake and mutual support. The first meeting is on 19th January 2022. Please contact Camilla Wells camilla@camillawells.com if you would like to attend.

THE STANFORD ESTATE

We have received a query from someone trying to track down the owners or administrators of the Stanford Estate. In 2007, when we last updated the information we hold about local restrictive covenants, it was Lady Pauline Laetitia Rumbold. Can anyone shed any light on who to contact? Please let [Jeanette Lacy Scott](#) know if you can help with this query.

LAW SOCIETY IN-HOUSE DIVISION

The Law Society's [In-house Division](#) provides support and advice on key issues facing all in-house lawyers, working in the corporate and public sectors, not-for-profit organisations and charities. To join the division, [Sign up to My LS](#) and add in-house to your favourite My LS topics. One of the advantages of joining is that you will be sent an innovative daily newsfeed by Lexology tailored to In-House lawyers.

LATEST NEWS FROM CHANCERY LANE

Topical Updates & News

[How we are helping society's most vulnerable access justice over the next 12 months](#) - The national law society is focused on influencing the government to expand access to justice. Here, our head of justice Richard Miller discusses our plans to fight for improvements to the legal aid system over the next 12 months.

[Introducing the new interim chief executive](#) – Gerry Walsh has been appointed as the new interim chief executive officer of the Law Society of England & Wales. Chief executive Paul Tennant will be leaving the organisation at the end of the year to take up a new role as chief executive of the Abbeyfield Society.

[Proposal for housing legal advice a step in the right direction](#) - Tenants facing repossession proceedings – and potential homelessness – could be in line for enhanced legal support under new proposals by the Ministry of Justice. Under the Housing Loss Prevention Advice Scheme (HLPAS), which replaces the Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme, non-means tested legal advice would be available to those facing repossession of their homes.

[Is the general damages small claims track limit being increased?](#) - The Ministry of Justice's (MoJ) plans to increase the general damages small claims track limit for employers' liability and public liability claims has been deferred until April 2022. The proposed increase from the current limit of £1,000 has also been amended to £1,500 – a reduction from the initial proposal of £2,000.

[Three trends that will shape law firms in 2022](#) - Colin Bohanna, general manager at Clio, summarises important findings from Clio's Legal Trends Report. He also provides insight into issues that law firms should deal with over the next twelve months.

[Gazette to become fully digital magazine](#) - The Law Society Gazette will move online and become a fully digital magazine from January 2022. The final version of the print magazine will be published on 13 December. The digital magazine will continue from January 2022 and be delivered direct to your inbox each Friday. Visit the gazette website [here](#).

[Joint initiative to introduce part-time training into the legal sector](#) - A cross-firm scheme initiated by our Lawyers with Disabilities Division (LDD) is seeking to encourage more part-time qualifying opportunities to be offered as a matter of course in the legal sector. 'Project Rise' is supported by Aspiring Solicitors and has been created as a direct result of the findings in '[Legally Disabled? – The career experiences of disabled people in the legal profession](#)'. Eversheds Sutherland and Osborne Clarke are participating in the project and have committed to offering all successful candidates the opportunity to train on a part-time basis, starting from their next recruitment intake in September 2024.

[Law Society Response](#) to LSB consultation on empowering consumers.

[HMCTS Safety Measures in light of the new variant](#) - HMCTS have updated their guidance in light of Plan B which can be found by clicking the title link. Please also feel free to consider and share our [guidance and best practice for members' safety in court and tribunal buildings](#)

[Reflecting on COP26: what were the key outcomes?](#) - COP26 ended on Saturday 13 November after negotiations overran into the weekend. We've set out outcomes from the conference, its successes and shortcomings.

Get involved

[Consultation: Housing Legal Aid](#) - The government is consulting on a proposed new model for the delivery of housing possession legal aid. This aims to ensure the sustainability of the service and to improve the breadth and quality of advice available for individuals facing the loss of their home. The consultation closes on 20 January 2022.

[Urgent action needed to address legal aid crisis](#) - Please share our press release on the legal aid crisis.

[Discover connections on Law Society Connect](#) - Join hundreds of fellow small firms that are already on our free digital small law firms community.

[MY LS](#) - Please sign up to My LS to access tailored news, resources, events and books - it's free!

Events

20 January 2022 – [Day of the endangered lawyer on line seminar](#)

25 January 2022 – [Brexit and the UK Legal Profession](#)

10 February 2022 – [Judicial appointments interview training for solicitors webinar](#)

9 March 2022 – [International women's day webinar](#)

25 March 2022 – [Risk & Compliance annual conference](#)

Resources

[Practice Note](#)

[Legal Professional Privilege](#) - This practice note seeks to clarify the status of legal professional privilege, explain the main principles of LPP, summarise practitioners' duties and explore particular contexts in which the rights conferred by LPP are asserted. *MyLS registration is required to access*

Careers Clinic

[Support for individual solicitors during CV19](#) - A link to our careers clinic and further support available to solicitors during the pandemic.

Training

Law Society Learning have released the 2021 update training courses for the Conveyancing Quality Scheme (CQS):

- Risk, Compliance and Client Care
- Conveyancing Practice

A third new course, CQS Core Training: Protocol in Practice, is also now available for conveyancers who are new to CQS. See below:

[CQS 2021 Update bundle \(Conveyancing Practice & Risk, Compliance and Client Care\)](#)

[CQS 2021 Update: Conveyancing Practice](#)

[CQS 2021 Update: Risk, Compliance and Client Care](#)

[CQS Core Training Bundle \(Financial Crime and Protocol in Practice\)](#)

Podcasts

[Ask an ambassador: disability and social mobility](#) - To mark Disability History Month, the fourth episode of our Ask an Ambassador podcast series is about the similarities, intersections and differences between social mobility and disability.

[Law Society Education Podcast: October 2021](#) - In this month's podcast, host Eman Hassan speaks with Michael Doherty, who is a Professor of Law and Associate Head of School at the University of Lancaster, as well as one of the key advocates of Legal Design in the UK

Sections

[Business Management](#) / [Regulation](#) / [Property](#) / [Private Client](#) - Paid subscribers can also access exclusive content and updates on law firms' management, risk & compliance, property and private client law.

OUR CPD COURSES & WEBINARS

Click on the links below for full details of each course and application forms:

- **12th January, 2022** – [‘Key Issues affecting Easements’](#). LIVE Webinar. 2pm-5pm. Speaker: Richard Snape. £100 + VAT (members), £120 + VAT (non members)

- **24th January, 2022** – [‘Overage, Clawback & Restrictive Covenants’](#). LIVE Webinar. 2pm-5pm. Speaker: Richard Snape. £100 + VAT (members), £120 + VAT (non members)
- **22nd February, 2022** – [‘CQS Compliance & the New Assessment Regime’](#). LIVE Webinar. 9.30am-1pm. Speaker: Tracy Thompson. £100 + VAT (members), £120 + VAT (non members)
- **8th March, 2022** – [‘CQS Compliance for Conveyancing Support Staff’](#). LIVE Webinar. 10am-12pm. Speaker: Tracy Thompson. £80 + VAT (all)
- **6th April, 2022** – [‘Dominic Regan’s Civil Litigation Update’](#). TBA if course or webinar. 9.30am-12.30pm. Speaker: Professor Dominic Regan. £100 + VAT (members), £120 + VAT (non members)

OTHER WEBINARS/ARTICLES/RESOURCES

Join **Sherrards Employment Law Solicitors** for the next cohort of their **CPD accredited, UK Employment Law Course**. Commencing on 11th January 2022 and running for 4 weeks, the LIVE bite-sized webinars alongside the invaluable resources will provide delegates with a deeper understanding of the key aspects of UK employment law in a practical and interactive way. Click here to find out more and book your place: www.sherrardsacademy.com or send an email to academy@sherrardslaw.com

Martin Searle Solicitors - Ask The Experts - Community Care Law Q&As - Cate Searle, Head of Community Care Law and Paula Jones, Services for Professional Deputies Lead, are running free monthly Community Care Law Q&As focusing on topical issues in community care law and mental capacity law. Their next virtual session is on **Tuesday 21 December** from **1 - 2pm** and deals with “The £86,000 Care Cap- What Advice Should Lawyers Be Giving Their Clients Now?”. For more information and to book your place [click here](#).

On 1 January 2022, Martin Searle Solicitors are launching their 18th annual campaign, **Mind the Bump** to stamp out pregnancy and maternity discrimination in the workplace. They are offering a free 30-minute telephone advice line for employers and employees concerned about pregnancy and maternity rights and their employers duties. They are running a free virtual seminar on **‘Managing Pregnancy and Maternity Leave for Employers’** at 1pm on Thursday 20 January 2022. They are also running a free virtual workshop for employee advisers and trade union representatives - **‘Pregnancy and Maternity Discrimination – A Guide for Advisers’** at 1pm on Thursday 27 January 2022. For more details [click here](#).

Paying for Care & Securing Funding Masterclass - Cate Searle, Head of Community Care Law at Martin Searle Solicitors is hosting a virtual seminar in partnership with MBL Seminars. This practical session is designed for professional deputy and private client law teams who have a working knowledge of the health and social care funding systems and want to know more about how to run successful public law challenges. This two-part session will run on **Thursday 9 December** and **Friday 10 December** from **1.30pm – 4.30pm**. For more information and to book your place, [click here](#).

SITUATIONS VACANT

Listing job vacancies in the Newsletter & putting more detailed vacancies on the [website](#) is **FREE** for Sussex Law Society member firms and individual members and £50 + VAT for other contributors. Contact [Jeanette Lacy Scott](#) to place an advert. More details about each vacancy and how to apply can be found by following the highlighted links.

Commercial Litigation Solicitor – Bennett Griffin in Worthing are seeking a technically strong individual, with particular experience in Commercial Litigation, to become a key part of our Dispute

Resolution Team and develop this important area for the Firm. For more information and/or to apply see [here](#).

Conveyancer - Gates and Moloney Solicitors require a full time conveyancer to join our firm in Lancing. Please email your CV or get in touch with your details to helen.norton@gatesandmoloney.co.uk or gabrielle.wagstaffe@gatesandmoloney.co.uk

Experienced Employment Lawyer - Martin Searle Solicitors are looking to employ an experienced litigation Solicitor, Legal Executive or Case Worker to join their Employment Law team in Brighton. For a full job description and to apply, please visit www.ms-solicitors.co.uk/careers. The closing date is Friday 17 December.

Experienced Private Client Lawyer - Bennett Oakley Solicitors in Burgess Hill are looking for someone with 5 years + PQE for this role. More details and how to apply can be found [here](#).

Legal Secretary/Assistant – Bennett Griffin in Worthing are looking to recruit a Legal Secretary for our busy Commercial Property Department, providing typing support to the whole Team. In time, the duties will progress to include assisting with all stages of a commercial transaction, from the initial enquiry through to completion. See [here](#) for more details and/or to apply.

Legal Secretary – Thompson Allen LLP in Brighton are seeking someone to support a busy full time consultant whose practice areas are mainly residential and commercial conveyancing, wills, trusts and probate. You must have a good knowledge of the conveyancing process and be keen to expand your skill set to take on new challenges. More details and how to apply can be found [here](#).

Legal Support Officer required to provide specialist legal support to lawyers in the Social Services and Education Team within Brighton and Hove City Council. Experience of providing legal and administrative support for a minimum period of 6 months needed ideally with a working knowledge of private/public law Children Act proceedings. An understanding of local authority Adult Services and Education work desirable but not essential. Please contact Hilary Priestley on 01273 291521 [/hilary.priestley@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:hilary.priestley@brighton-hove.gov.uk) by 17 /12/21 for further information.

NQ Solicitor/Cilex Property Litigation – A fantastic opportunity has arisen for either a NQ Solicitor or Cilex to join our leading law firm based in Brighton and Hove. See [here](#) for more details and how to apply.

Private Client Secretary/Assistant – Bennett Griffin in Worthing are recruiting for a Legal Secretary/Assistant within our Private Client Department to provide administration and secretarial support to our very busy and friendly Care Capacity and Court of Protection Team. For more information and/or to apply see [here](#).

Private Client Solicitor – Griffith Smith LLP are looking for an ambitious and dynamic Private Client solicitor with a minimum of five years PQE. The firm offers the opportunity to gain qualifications, agile and flexible working options over Brighton and mid-Sussex offices, and a competitive salary on application. STEP qualifications & knowledge of trust and taxation are an advantage. If you are interested please email your CV, as well as a detailed application letter, to l.fleming@griffithsmith.co.uk

Private Client Solicitor or experienced Legal Executive – Warwick & Barker Solicitors in Rustington are looking for someone to assist in our busy private client department. The work will comprise estate administration, Will writing, preparing deeds of variation, declaration of trust deeds, LPAs and

some Court of Protection Work. We offer a competitive salary and are flexible on full or part-time working. Knowledge of Isokon would be a distinct advantage. Please email your CV to gillcollins@warwickbarker.co.uk

Residential Conveyancing Solicitor/Licensed Conveyancer – Lings Solicitors in Worthing have an exciting opportunity for an ambitious qualified residential conveyancer with 3+ years PQE looking for personal and career growth opportunities to develop the conveyancing department in a small and friendly firm. See [here](#) for more details and how to apply.

Residential Property Solicitor – Adams and Remers LLP in Lewes are looking for an organised and enthusiastic qualified solicitor with previous experience in a conveyancing role. Full details and how to apply can be found [here](#).

LOCUMS

If you would like to be added to the list of locums published monthly in this Newsletter, please email your details to [Jeanette Lacy Scott](mailto:Jeanette.Lacy.Scott). Listing your details here is free of charge for members:

- Margaret Dowdles - commercial/residential property. Happy to discuss how firms can practically work together so she can innovate on pricing and still deliver real value at this challenging time and going forwards -Contact mgtdles@gmail.com 07947-771593. Available from start January 2022. Charges realistic rates.
- Robin Bates - family and civil dispute resolution. contact mob 07710 202422 ; e-mail robin-bates@sky.com
- Elin Dukes - private client/court of protection - contact: elindukeslaw@gmail.com / 07585800258.
- Patrick Richards- Un-Notarised legal translations, office and Court interpreter services offered by fluent French and Italian speaking local Solicitor. Contact patrichards27@hotmail.com 07715928563.

LOST & MISSING WILLS

Can you please check if your firm holds the following will(s):

Mr Michael John FILMER Date of birth: 4/3/40 Date of death: 6/5/20 Last
Address: The Old House, Milking Lane, Keston, BR2 6DS Please let [Jeanette Lacy Scott](mailto:Jeanette.Lacy.Scott) know if you have any information.

All wills previously held by Howlett Clarke are now safely held with the Right Legal Group, Wyvern Business Park, 16 Stanier Way, Derby, DE21 6BF. Telephone number 01332 424511.

Please contact jls@sussex-law.co.uk if you are looking for a will or if you want to be part of our lost/missing wills scheme (free of charge)

LAW SOCIETY DIVISIONS/NETWORKS

The Law Society has some really useful divisions/networks full of information and resources which are worth exploring. The links are here: [Ethnic Minority Lawyers](#); [In-house Lawyers](#); [Junior Lawyers](#); [Lawyers with Disabilities](#); [LGBT+ Lawyers](#); [Small Firms](#); [Solicitor Judges](#); [Women Lawyers](#)

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Following the introduction of the new GDPR laws on 25th May 2018, if you are not an individual or corporate member of the Sussex Law Society and wish to continue to receive this monthly newsletter you will need to [opt in here](#). If you are unsure about whether you are/are not a member please contact [Jeanette Lacy Scott](#)

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[Private Client Practitioners List](#)

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[Family Practitioners List](#)

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