

Dear Member,

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the November edition of the Sussex Law Society newsletter. I look forward to the great honour of representing our members over the next 12 months following my election as the Society's President at our AGM last night.

As I begin my term, I must start by paying tribute to our outgoing President, Manjinder Nagra. Manjinder began her term last year with the intention of using her platform to promote equality, diversity and inclusion. She has achieved many successes over the past year in that respect; including some very positive engagement with students at Chichester University where she gave the keynote speech at their Law Careers Conference. Most recently, Manjinder featured in a story on The Law Society's Instagram page explaining how her passion for rugby has benefited her legal career. The post can be [read in full here](#). We thank Manjinder for her service.

The Sussex Law Society was formed in 1860 and, as the youngest President in its history (so I am told!), it seems appropriate for my term to focus primarily upon promoting the support, training and development of our junior lawyers. As a Past President of the Sussex Junior Lawyers Division, I am aware of the importance of creating a forum for junior lawyers in which to network with others and share experiences. Junior lawyers have faced many challenges over the past few years with changes to the training and qualification process, pressures on their costs of living, and an increasingly remote workplace. Whilst providing many benefits, working remotely can deprive junior lawyers of the ability to work alongside more experienced colleagues and therefore certain learning opportunities can be missed. Membership of the Sussex Junior Lawyers Division is available to postgraduate law students, paralegals, trainee solicitors, legal executives, and solicitors and barristers with up to 5 years post-qualification experience. If you would like to find out more about the JLD and the way in which they can support your development; please contact their committee on [sussexjld@gmail.com](mailto:sussexjld@gmail.com) and follow their social media channels for news about upcoming events.

My chosen charity for my term is Rockinghorse Children's Charity. Rockinghorse is a fantastic local charity who support sick and disabled children across Sussex. They are based at The Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital and The Trevor Mann Baby Unit in Brighton, and across all of the specialist children's wards and baby units through Sussex. Some of you will already be familiar with their work; but please do take the time to read more about them on their website [here](#). The reason for my choice of charity is simple: I wish to thank them for the care and support that they provided to me and my family following my premature birth.

Although my election took place last night, it has already been a busy couple of weeks for me in preparation for the role. On Tuesday last week, I attended an event at the Brighton Centre focusing on safeguarding across various sectors within Brighton & Hove and across Sussex. We heard from many speakers ranging from law enforcement, local government and charities, all of whom highlighted some of the challenges faced in trying to build safer and more resilient communities. On Friday, I was invited to attend the Past Presidents' Dinner. It was inspirational to meet so many of those who have served our Society in previous years and to receive their words of advice for the year ahead (see photo below). Today, I will be attending the East Sussex High Sheriff's Judges' Service in Lewes. The event marks the start of the 'Michaelmas term' (the first term of the legal year) and, as a Solicitor specialising in litigation, is a particularly exciting service to attend. Later this month and throughout my term, I will be attending the annual dinners of other local law societies.

The great work done by the Sussex Law Society would not be possible without its members and those elected to serve on the Committee. I know that I will benefit greatly from their support and guidance over the next 12 months. At the AGM last night, we thanked the departing members of the Committee; Camilla Rents and Jason Bradshaw. We also welcomed Charlotte DeCecco and Matthew Bishop and I look forward to working with them and those remaining on the Committee. I would also like to pay tribute to Paul Sagoo who sadly has had to step down as Secretary of the Sussex Law Society Golf Society due to ill health. Paul has organised the Society's matches for many years and has done a great job. The new Secretary of the Golf Society is Bob Mayfield. If you wish to become involved with their events, please contact Bob on [bobmayfield111@googlemail.com](mailto:bobmayfield111@googlemail.com)

I look forward to hearing from and meeting you all over the course of the year; our first scheduled event will be the Spring Quiz with more details to follow shortly.

With good wishes as we move towards the end of 2024 and into the festive period.

*Daniel Dickson*



From left to right back: Michael Long, Veronica Hamilton-Deeley, Hugo Hunt, Emma Weir, Dean Orgill, Jacqueline Hardaway, Michael Barry, Jeanette Lacy Scott, John Healy,  
From left to right front: Maureen Samuels, Gilva Tishaw, Oliver Maxwell-Jones, Manjinder Nagra, Daniel Dickson, Jane Wells, Richard Dyson, Kevin Smyth

## NEWS

- **Harry Sherrard** has been appointed as Legal Counsel to the European Regional Airline Association, which represents the interests of aviation in Europe. [www.eraa.org](http://www.eraa.org). The Association has 230 members of which 55 are airlines. Members fly 76 million passengers a year, with 480,000 employees across the Association. It is a part-time role that will fit with existing commitments to **Sherrards Employment Law Solicitors**. Harry will be attending four board meetings per year, which take place in various European cities, commencing with Cologne in December 2024 and Copenhagen in March 2025.
- Well done to **Juliet Harris**, a lawyer in the Property Team at **Brighton & Hove City Council**, who appeared on Mastermind recently. It was broadcast on Monday 28 Oct – iPlayer catch up link is here <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m0024hzg/mastermind-202425-episode-10>

- After an extensive evaluation exercise, **Sherrards Employment Law Solicitors** have been appointed to the worldwide legal panel of Cathay Pacific Airways, the Hong Kong-based carrier. [www.cathaypacific.com](http://www.cathaypacific.com).
- **Jo O'Sullivan** has been shortlisted for the Family Mediator of the Year award at this year's [National Mediation Awards](#). We wish her well at the final in December.
- Recruitment Lawyer, **Barry Cullen**, Launches recPROTECT to Shield Agencies from Costly Disputes. You can [read more here](#).
- **Westgate Chambers** Financial Remedies Conference at The Eastbourne Grand on 15 November, is officially sold out! We look forward to seeing you at the Conference, where we can look forward to talks from our FR Team, Eight Wealth Management, Humphrey & Co and His Honour Judge Farquhar. Should you have any questions regarding this event please do not hesitate to contact, [Stuart Taylor-Jones](#).
- **Tisshaws Family Law** are delighted to have won the Employer of the Year Award 2024 at the Sussex Business Conference & Awards event in October, in recognition of Gilva Tisshaw's success in developing a supportive and nurturing environment for her team. In more good news, the team are thrilled to announce they've been shortlisted, along with solicitors Bennett Oakley, Bennett Griffin and Monan Gozzett and Aspiring HR, as Finalists for the Professional Services Awards at the 36th Sussex Business Awards. Tisshaws are also celebrating the promotion of **Richard Adams** and **Verity Eunson-Hickey** to Associate Directors in recognition of their hard work, commitment, experience and legal expertise.
- **Martin Searle Solicitors** are delighted to welcome two new solicitors to their Community Care Law team. **Sophia Withers** brings a huge amount of experience around Court of Protection and Mental Capacity law, whilst **Lily Grunwell** joins the team after completing her training contract in September. [Read more here](#).
- Congratulations to 'Hope's Eternal Spring', the winning team from **1 Crown Office Row** at the Sussex Law Society Autumn Quiz on 24<sup>th</sup> October on Brighton Pier. Teams from **Colemans, Howden, J E Bennett Law, Coole Bevis, Dawson Hart, Old Bailey Solicitors, Dean Wilson, DMH Stallard, GoodLaw, Family Law Partners, recLAW, Bate & Albon, ODT, Tuckers and The Jonathan Lea Network** all fought hard to get their hands on the coveted trophy. Fabulous fish and chips and a fabulous atmosphere contributed to another great evening and over £600 was raised in the raffle for our President's chosen charity, The Black & Minority Ethnic Young People's Project. Huge thanks to **Crown Office Row** for generously supporting this event – the fact that one of their teams carried home the trophy was, of course, pure coincidence!!!
- **MWB** are delighted to announce the appointment of a new Partner in their Family department, **Marie Stock**. Marie joins as part of our continuing growth strategy and is a highly regarded specialist family lawyer with over 17 years of experience. Marie has considerable experience dealing with high-net-worth financial matters, often advising clients who have business assets, multiple properties, inherited wealth and valuable pensions. As a senior member of the family team, Marie will continue to support clients with complex legal matters including divorce, financial remedies, separation agreements, pre-nuptial agreements, child arrangements and cohabitation disputes.

### TA6 TWO-FORM APPROACH TEMPORARILY EXTENDED FOLLOWING CONSULTATION

Conveyancers can continue to use both the 4th and 5th edition of the TA6 property information form beyond January 2025, the Law Society of England and Wales has said. A consultation on the TA6 property information form (5th edition) (2024) was launched in July this year. While the consultation took place, the Law Society announced conveyancers could continue using the TA6 form (5th edition) or its predecessor, the TA6 form (4th edition, second revision) (2020) until 15 January 2025.

Since July, the Law Society has been working with 2CV, an independent research agency, to seek the views of conveyancers and other stakeholders who are using either or both forms. A total of 1,232 people signed up to take part in the consultation which has included a survey, in-depth interviews, research-led group discussions, deep dive online webinars, workshops and roundtables. "I would like to thank our members for engaging so positively with this extensive consultation," said Law Society chief executive officer Ian Jeffery. "We are now working through the volumes of feedback we have collected during this process and want to give it all thorough consideration.

"It has become clear that January next year is not a realistic date by which to analyse all the evidence and take the next steps to ensure we have the best outcome possible. "We have therefore decided to extend the period that both forms can be used until we have completed that work."

A further update will be provided in the New Year by the Law Society.

### CIVIL JUSTICE COUNCIL INTERIM REPORT & CONSULTATION ON LITIGATION FUNDING

The Civil Justice Council published its interim report and consultation on Litigation Funding on 31 October 2024. Both documents can be found on the [CJC's webpage](#). The consultation will close on Friday 31 January 2025 at 23:59. Consultees do not need to answer all questions if only some are of interest or relevance. Answers should be submitted by PDF or word document to [CJCLitigationFundingReview@judiciary.uk](mailto:CJCLitigationFundingReview@judiciary.uk) Respondents must complete and submit [the cover sheet](#) with their response.

If you have any questions about the consultation or submission process, please contact [CJC@judiciary.uk](mailto:CJC@judiciary.uk) . We will be holding a panel session on Litigation Funding at our annual National Forum, taking place in-person and online on Friday 29th November 2024. For those who haven't already, please do [REGISTER HERE](#).

### FOETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDER & THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

A recent article has been published that may be of interest to criminal practitioners in relation to FASD and the Criminal Justice System. Jerrod Brown has written many articles highlighting the need for more awareness of FASD and his latest article brings together the latest international research. It emphasises some questions that can be asked to identify needs of clients and some red flags that we should be paying attention to. It is important that practitioners are aware of the condition and how people with FASD may present, as it can be relevant to fitness to plead.

You can access the article [here](#).

### DISTRICT JUDGE PRE-APPLICATION EVENT

The Judicial Appointments Commission (JAC) have opened applications for the role of District Judge. To help potential applicants prepare for the application process, they are running a further online

pre-application seminar on Thursday 14th November. The seminar will run from 5-6:15pm. Click on the link for more details and to register:

<https://www.judicialcareers.judiciary.uk/civicrm/event/info/?id=128>

## JUDICIAL VACANCY

The Judicial Appointments Commission is currently accepting applications for the role of Judge of the First-tier Tribunal, with applications closing on Tuesday 12 November.

<https://apply.judicialappointments.digital/vacancy/lu3B3SXD0CE5munhhHu5/>

## AN INTRODUCTION TO AI FOR LAW FIRMS

In this engaging and interactive webinar, discover how AI is transforming the legal profession and what it means for your firm. Geoff Davies will explore how AI can streamline legal tasks, such as research and contract review, while providing hands-on insights without requiring technical expertise. He will also discuss essential regulatory guidance, covering the SRA's recommendations and aligning with the UK Government's Responsible AI White Paper, helping you understand how to develop sound AI policies within your firm. This session is ideal for law firms beginning their AI journey, providing actionable steps to ensure compliance, security, and responsible AI use. You will learn:

- Where AI will—and won't—add value to your legal practice
- Ensuring GDPR compliance and protecting client confidentiality when using AI
- Methods for transcribing meetings and client calls automatically, creating reliable file notes
- Using AI agents to draft contracts automatically based on case documents or prepare reports for clients
- Leveraging Generative AI for accurate legal research

The webinar is £30 + VAT for members and £40 + VAT for non-members and takes place from 12 – 1.30 on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> January 2025. [The application form can be found here](#).

## REVIEW OF SRA HANDLING OF THE AXIOM INCE COLLAPSE

The Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) is facing unprecedented enforcement action, following an independent review into its multiple failures in handling the Axiom Ince closure in October 2023. The review was commissioned by the Legal Services Board (LSB) and was carried out by a firm of solicitors in Northern Ireland which is not regulated by the SRA (Carson McDowell LLP). The collapse of law firm Axiom Ince resulted in approximately 1,400 job losses and in excess of £60 million in client funds being unaccounted for. The profession now faces a 270% rise in contributions to the Compensation Fund to rectify the losses. The review found that the SRA failed to take the steps it could/should have taken, and, did not carry out those which it did take "*adequately, effectively and efficiently*". The SRA may face enforcement action under the Legal Services Act for its failings.

Paul Philip, chief executive of the SRA, said the review recognises the SRA's "*excellent work*" in the Axiom Ince scandal. He acknowledged that there were failings, but the SRA disputes a number of findings in the review and does not understand the basis of enforcement action. However, Mr Philip stated that some SRA processes have been amended following the review and indicated that the SRA will work with other bodies "*to tackle future challenges in the legal sector*". The review follows the SRA's recent report of its own corporate strategy benchmarking research, which measures perception of its performance. The research found 56% of legal professionals



expressed a positive view of the SRA, whilst 26% viewed the regulator unfavourably and the remaining 18% were neutral or unsure.

Richard Atkinson, President of the Law Society, has reminded the SRA that the Law Society would like to see the regulator concentrating on its “core role” in relation to standards, risk, non-compliance, and protecting both clients and solicitors. In particular, the Law Society would welcome more collaboration from the SRA on the professional ethics, as members are increasingly seeking guidance and support in balancing their duties to their clients, the Court, and wider society.

Whilst the outcome of enforcement action against the SRA remains to be seen, the Legal Services Consumer Panel has urged the SRA and the LSB to take decisive action to restore public confidence in the regulator and in the profession as a whole.

*Sarah O’Sullivan*  
*Honorary Secretary*

### **LAW SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF BRIGHTON**

Alan Larkin will be speaking at a celebration event for law progression scholarships at the University of Brighton on Wednesday 27th November 2024 at 5.30pm, taking place in the Asa Briggs Foyer, Falmer Campus, Brighton. Three years ago, Family Law Partners collaborated with the University of Brighton to design a law scholarship scheme. Each year the University selects two law undergraduates based on a range of criteria, most notably that the students are from lower socio-economic backgrounds; the first in the family to enter higher education; care leavers, and so on. The two students selected each year become Family Law Partners’ scholars. The firm supports them financially for each of their three years of undergraduate study. They introduce them to a professional legal environment via work placements, mentoring and holistic career guidance: all the components needed to make these scholars a valuable catch for any future legal employer. There is a positive impact for the scholars. The reward for the legal team is knowing that that their investment of modest funds, time and goodwill has the potential to deliver life-changing outcomes for the scholars. The University are accomplished collaborators and take care of the mechanics.

Sussex Law Society members are invited to attend. Please RSVP via this booking link or contact Louise Caseley at [l.caseley@brighton.ac.uk](mailto:l.caseley@brighton.ac.uk) by Friday 15th November.

If you can’t make the event, reach out to [Alan Larkin](#) or to [Louise Caseley](#) to find out how magical these scholarships can be and how easy it would be for you and your colleagues to get involved. And, before you think it, this is not just for the big firms – FLP is not a big firm - if they can do it then so can you. If a handful of legal outfits from the Southeast rose to the challenge, we could do more than prise open the legal portals for these young people, we could blow the doors off.

### **REVIEW SOLICITORS ANNOUNCES STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WITH VERIFY 365**

One of our Society’s main sponsors, [ReviewSolicitors](#) - the UK's leading review platform for legal services, has announced a strategic partnership with Verify 365, a premier digital verification provider. This partnership marks a significant step forward in supporting excellence in legal practice management. The partnership brings together two industry leaders with a shared vision for modernising legal services. Combining ReviewSolicitors' expertise in legal sector reviews with Verify 365's advanced digital verification capabilities creates a powerful alliance that will benefit law firms across the UK. Read more [here](#).

## CIVIL JUSTICE COUNCIL NATIONAL FORUM

The Civil Justice Council (CJC) is pleased to invite you to its 13th National Forum 'Access to Justice: Working Together' ON Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> November at Friends House, 173-177 Euston Road, London, NW1 2BJ and online. Speakers will include: - Sir Geoffrey Vos - Master of the Rolls and Chair of the Civil Justice Council; - Shabana Mahmood MP - Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice; -Lady Carr - Lady Chief Justice of England and Wales; -Director Rachel Rossi - Director of Office for Access to Justice, U.S. Department of Justice. You can [find out more and register here](#). Registration will close at 12 noon on Thursday 21 November.

## COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

Elsewhere in this newsletter Honorary Secretary, Sarah O'Sullivan, has very ably outlined the investigation by LSB into the handling of the Axiom Ince scandal by the SRA. This is likely to have considerable fallout for the profession, in particular in future contributions to the Compensation Fund.

This year your PC Fee is £307. In very broad terms 28% funds the Law Society, 52% funds the SRA and 20% are levies funding the Legal Services Board, Legal Ombudsman and Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal. In addition, there is a £90 fee payable to the Compensation Fund. The fund is there to compensate those affected by uninsured misconduct by Solicitors. It is this element that may increase significantly in coming years as a result of Axiom Ince. In 2022/23 the SRA paid out £41 million in compensation fund payments. The estimated shortfall in Axiom Ince's client accounts alone is £64 million. The SRA is operationally fully independent of the Law Society. The Law Society has expressed its deep concern at the SRA's conduct as regards Axiom Ince and its failure to prevent the huge shortfall in its accounts. The Law Society position can be found [here](#)

In happier news, 2025 is the 200-year anniversary of the Law Society. The Society is keen that this is both a local and a national celebration and I am sure Sussex Law Society will fully engage with events. You can learn more at [Bicentenary year | The Law Society](#).

There has not been a Council meeting since my October report. The next meeting is the Q4 Council meeting in December and I shall report on that in due course.

*Andrew Bishop*

*Law Society Council Member for Sussex*

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## SUSSEX LAW SOCIETY WEBINARS AND COURSES

Click on the links below for more details about these webinars and the application forms:

19<sup>th</sup> November 2024 – [‘The SRA AML Annual Report 2023/2024 – Facts, Findings & Figures’](#) 12noon – 1pm. Live webinar by Joanna Morris.

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024 – [‘Round up of 2024 – Quarterly Compliance Update’](#). 12noon – 1pm. Live webinar by Joanna Morris.

12<sup>th</sup> December 2024 – [‘Adverse Possession & Other Boundary Issues’](#). 12noon – 1pm. Live webinar by Richard Snape.

14<sup>th</sup> January 2025 – [‘An Introduction to AI for Law Firms’](#). 12 noon – 1.30pm. Live Webinar by Geoff Davis

16<sup>th</sup> January 2025 – ‘Carbon & Net Zero 101 for the Legal Sector. Why should you Care? The Risks and Opportunities for Law Firms’ 12.00 – 13.00. Live webinar by Guy Longmore.

21<sup>st</sup> January 2025 – ‘[Complaints- How to handle them well!](#)’. 10am – 11.30am. Live webinar by Joanna Morris.

5<sup>th</sup> February 2025 – ‘Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Training’. 10am – 11.30 am. Live webinar by Joanna Morris

3<sup>rd</sup> April 2025 – ‘Spring Civil Litigation Update’. 9.30am – 12.30am. Live webinar by Dominic Regan.

29<sup>th</sup> April 2025 – ‘AML Update’. 10am – 1pm. Live webinar by Joanna Morris

## OTHER COURSES/WEBINARS/ARTICLES/RESOURCES

### Webinars

**‘Understanding Climate Risks and how to advise your client in the property transaction’ - 19th November 2024**. The Law Society Guidance on climate risks was published in April 2023. With a new industry guidance being published soon, it is important to translate the findings from climate analysis in our environmental searches to actionable advice.

<https://www.groundsure.com/events/understanding-climate-risks-and-how-to-advise-your-client/>

**‘Preventing Sexual Harassment At Work – What Employers Need To Know ‘- On 26 October 2024, the Worker Protection Bill came into force, meaning that all employers will have to take reasonable steps to prevent sexual harassment of workers in the course of their employment. Fiona Martin, Head of Employment Law at [Martin Searle Solicitors](#), presents an introduction for employers and HR on how to prevent sexual harassment in the workplace. The seminar costs £100 + VAT and takes place on Tuesday 19 November - [book your place here](#).**

**‘Multi-Generational Living – From a Paying for Care Perspective’ - Victoria Crick at [Martin Searle Solicitors](#) is running a virtual live webinar, in partnership with MBL Seminars, which is suitable for people who are already advising clients about the paying for care rules and have some background knowledge of multi-generational living, as well as professional attorneys and deputies who might need to consider the implications where their clients are involved in multi-generational living. This live and interactive session runs from 1pm – 3pm on Tuesday 26 November. For more information and to book your place, [click here](#).**

**‘Employment Law Latest’ - Sherrards Employment Law Solicitors are pleased to announce they will be hosting this webinar on Tuesday 10th December. Essential for HR and people managers, join the team on Zoom to run through critical employment law updates. The session will run from 10:00 – 11:30 and the cost per delegate is £50 + VAT. To book please visit:**

<https://www.sherrardsacademy.com/courses/employment-law-latest-2024-webinar>

Your team is the driving force of your firm. A high-performing team builds a thriving organisation and getting it right from the start is essential, especially with the proposed upcoming employment law changes ahead. Join [Loch Associates Group](#) at their final instalment of the [Level Up Series: From Good to Great](#). In this session, they’ll explore what you need to be considering throughout the entire employee life cycle to achieve that. The session is designed for managers and partners. [Book your place now](#).

### Articles/Blogs

PFAS Major Pollution Concerns - Headlines that shout ‘Residents told to wash and peel homegrown vegetables before eating’ are going to cause concern. And when it signals the potential for a new



Part 2A site it is worth taking note and understanding the origin of the headlines. In this blog, we explore the site's history that has led to serious contamination by the "Forever Chemicals" PFAS. <https://www.groundsure.com/pfas-major-pollution-concerns/>

Julian Dobson looks at an important decision dealing with the sometimes difficult interaction between matrimonial law and bankruptcy. Please follow the link to the article [here](#).

<https://orionlegalmarketing.co.uk/perfect-lawyer-profile/>

<https://becket-chambers.co.uk/articles/what-can-i-do-when-my-ex-partner-refuses-to-comply-with-a-financial-remedy-order/>

<https://becket-chambers.co.uk/articles/case-law-on-covert-recordings/>

<https://becket-chambers.co.uk/articles/a-new-cafcass-domestic-abuse-practice-policy/>

## 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 £100 + 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 Property Expert** – Acumen Law are looking for a dynamic and commercially minded Commercial Property expert (can be a paralegal, legal exec or a solicitor) to join our growing team. The successful candidate will play a key role in providing expert legal advice across a range of commercial property matters while driving the department forward through strategic thinking and business development with the firm's support. See [here](#) for more details.
- **Commercial Solicitor** - Loch Associates Group is seeking an experienced Commercial and Employment Solicitor (5+ years PQE) to join our expanding team in the South East. Based in Brighton or Eastbourne with flexibility for remote working, you'll play a key role in our growing business. If you're looking for an organisation where you can thrive in a supportive, dynamic environment, we'd love to hear from you. To apply, email [peopleteam@lochassociates.co.uk](mailto:peopleteam@lochassociates.co.uk) or read more [here](#).
- **Conveyancing Solicitor/Legal Adviser, Lewes**  
<https://careers.ampa.co.uk/en/postings/bfb61361-2962-4661-ae08-83aaaebe70d1>
- **Conveyancing Solicitor/Legal Adviser, Peacehaven**  
<https://careers.ampa.co.uk/en/postings/ecedb363-bef8-4ace-b5f9-b26c78c137ef>
- **Enfranchisement Paralegal, Lewes** <https://careers.ampa.co.uk/en/postings/f884ea43-951a-4705-a25a-405ee2572575>
- **Experienced Employment Lawyer** - Martin Searle Solicitors are looking to recruit an Experienced Employment Lawyer to join their Employment Law team. For a full job description and to apply, please [click here](#).
- **Litigation Solicitor/Legal Adviser, Sussex** <https://careers.ampa.co.uk/en/postings/8b38b937-2c89-4ef0-9133-926f6f9e920d>

- **Private Client Assistant** - Christmas and Company Solicitors in Lewes are currently looking for an experienced Private Client Assistant to join us on a full/part time basis. You must be experienced in the preparation/drafting of Wills, Lasting Powers of Attorney and Estate Administration including completion of IHT forms. For more information about the role see [here](#).
- **Private Client Expert** - Are you ready to take your career to the next level? Acumen Law, a forward-thinking and innovative law firm, invites you to join our vibrant team. Recognised as a top 50 Law Firm by the Financial Times, we stand out by fostering a unique, inclusive culture without traditional hierarchies, secretaries, or dress codes. At Acumen Law, every team member plays a crucial role in our success, and we are committed to delivering exceptional service without compromising on our values. See [here](#) for more details.
- **Private Client Solicitor/Practitioner** - Christmas and Company Solicitors are currently looking for an experienced Private Client Solicitor/Probate Practitioner to join us on a Consultancy / Part Time basis. We are looking to grow our current existing caseload so this position may become full-time in the future. We run a small and very friendly office in Lewes and are looking for someone to join us who is experienced in the preparation of Wills, Lasting Powers of Attorney and Estate Administration. If interested, please send your CV and covering email to [sonia@christmasandcompany.com](mailto:sonia@christmasandcompany.com)
- **Private Client Solicitors** - Lewis Denley Solicitors is seeking dedicated, client-focused Private Client Solicitors to join our Horsham office, with hybrid working options available. We're hiring both a Senior Private Client Solicitor and a Private Client Solicitor to bring their expertise, leadership, and ambition to our innovative team. Both roles will contribute to our technology-forward, collaborative culture. See [here](#) for more details.
- **Residential and Commercial Property Assistant** - Hennings Solicitors are looking for a full-time Legal Assistant in our conveyancing department. We are a small friendly firm based in Patcham, Brighton specialising in Property and Private Client work. Ideally candidates should have some prior knowledge of completions, stamping and registration. The position is initially office based with some possible flexibility later dependant on experience. Salary offers will be competitive and dependant of experience. Full specification of the Role and Responsibilities available on request. If you would like to be considered for the vacancy please send your up-to-date CV by email or post to Mr A J Henning, Hennings Solicitors, 138 Old London Road, Brighton, East Sussex, BN1 8YA or email: [ah@hennings-solicitors.com](mailto:ah@hennings-solicitors.com)
- **Senior Conveyancing Paralegal, Eastbourne**  
<https://careers.ampa.co.uk/en/postings/88822cba-8037-44aa-92e1-e179b7009b7c>

## 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](mailto:mgtdles@gmail.com) 07947-771593. Charges realistic rates.

- Patrick Richards- Un-Notarised legal translations, office and Court interpreter services offered by fluent French and Italian speaking local Solicitor.  
Contact [patrickrichards27@hotmail.com](mailto:patrickrichards27@hotmail.com) 07715928563.
- Patrick Rusk – Patrick Rusk – Legal Translation Services – Trainee Solicitor and Member of Chartered Institute of Linguists (CIOL no. 55485) offering legal translation services from German, French and Spanish into English. For all enquiries, please email [patrick.rusk@hotmail.com](mailto:patrick.rusk@hotmail.com) or text +44 7534 747667.

### LOST & MISSING WILLS

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 [Jeanette Lacy Scott](mailto:Jeanette.Lacy.Scott@rightlegalgroup.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 for members)

### SUSSEX LAW SOCIETY GOLF SOCIETY

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