ACL London Annual Costs Conference

11th October 2024

Association of Costs Lawyers

09:15-09:55	Registration
09:55-10:00	**Welcome** Jack Ridgway - ACL Chair
10:00-10:30	**Burnout and how to prevent it** Dr Anna Colton
10:30-10:55	**When is a solicitor's invoice a statutory bill? Signature Litigation LLP v Invanishvili [2024] EWCA Civ 901 and other recent decisions** Costs Judge Simon Brown - SCCO
10:55-11:20	**Costs where dishonesty is an issue** Professor Dominic Regan
11:20-11:35	**Professional standards and ethics** Jacqui Connelly – Costs Lawyer Standards Board
11:35-12:00	Refreshment Break
12:00-12:25	**Budgeting** Master Amanda Stevens – Kings Bench Division
12:25-12:50	**AI, the Law & Costs Lawyers** Simon Murray – DWF Law
12:50-13:15	**"Dear Sir / Madam, Further to our numerous letters demanding payment of outstanding fees and disbursements…" Solicitors suing clients for unpaid fees - the process and pitfalls** Farhana Mukith & Jeremy McKeown – 12 Kings Bench Walk Chambers
13:15-13:20	**ACL Training Update** David Bailey-Vella – ACL Vice-Chair & Education sub-committee
13:25-13:55	Breakout sessions **Client Care Letters: an ombudsman's perspective on estimates, deductions & informed consent** Simon Williams - Legal Ombudsman **Fixed Recoverable Costs: Now, today, tomorrow and always** Steven Turner - Kings Chambers **SCCO / ACL review of Precedent G** ACL Working Party, Kris Kilsby (ACL Council), Victoria McCloud, Erica Bedford & Kevin Latham
13:55-14:40	Lunch Break
14:40-14:45	Presentation of the ACL Chairmans Cup – Jack Ridgway
14:45-15:10	**What would a precedent Statute Bill look like?** Costs Judge Jason Rowley - SCCO
15:10-15:35	**Costs issues in group litigation** Robert Marven – 4 New Square Chambers
15:35-16:00	**Solicitor and Client Costs: An update** **Key case law updates and trends in solicitor and client disputes** Robin Dunne – Gatehouse Chambers
16:00-16:25	Refreshment Break
16:25-16:50	**There We Were: Now Here We Are** Ben Petrez – Partners in Costs
16:50-17.15	**The trials and tribulations of costs at consequential hearings. Indemnity costs, interim payments on costs, pre judgement interest & post judgement interest** Simon Browne – 39 Essex Chambers
17:15-17:45	Q&A Panel - chaired by Stephen Averill - CJ Simon Brown - John Meehan - Dr Victoria McCloud - Ian Curtis-Nye - Ben Petrez
17:45-19:00	Please join us for post conference networking drinks & canapes!

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