

PROPERTY LAW SEMINAR

Wednesday 30th September, 4pm - 6pm

Join us for an afternoon exploring some of the key risks and emerging issues affecting today's property practitioners. Bringing together experts from the Bar, legal indemnity insurance and the property sector, this seminar will provide practical guidance on navigating construction risk, understanding when legal indemnity insurance is the right solution, and advising clients on the growing use of property auctions. Whether you advise buyers, sellers, developers or commercial clients, you'll leave with practical insights to support your day-to-day practice.

PROGRAMME

4.00pm – Arrival and light refreshments

4.15pm – Welcome by **Russell Hewitson**, Deputy Vice President, The Newcastle and North of England Law Society, The Associate Professor of Law at Northumbria University and Law Society Council Member for Commercial Property

4.20pm – **Adam Chaffer**, Barrister, Trinity Chambers
Presentation: Mind the Gap': Construction Risk in Residential Conveyancing - What Every Conveyancing Solicitor Needs to Know from New Build to Resale
Followed by Q&A

4.45pm – **Claire Elliott**, Business Development Manager at CLSQ
Presentation: Managing Risk in Residential & Commercial Property Transactions: When Legal Indemnity Insurance Makes Sense
Followed by Q&A

5.10pm – **Caroline Pattinson**, Director, Pattinsons
Presentation: The Pros and Cons of Auction Sales as a Disposal Strategy: What Property Lawyers Need to Know About the Growing Use of Auctions
Followed by Q&A

5.35pm – Closing remarks by **Russell Hewitson**, followed by networking



Venue

Ward Hadaway
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PROPERTY LAW SEMINAR PRESENTERS

Adam Chaffer – Barrister, Trinity Chambers

'Mind the Gap': Construction Risk in Residential Conveyancing – What Every Conveyancing Solicitor Needs to Know from New Build to Resale

Construction-related issues increasingly affect everyday residential conveyancing transactions. Adam will explore the practical risks facing conveyancers, from cladding and fire safety concerns to EWS1 forms, latent defects and the impact of the Building Safety Act 2022 on leasehold sales. Drawing on recent case law and legislative developments, this session will provide practical guidance on identifying risks early, advising clients confidently and recognising when specialist construction advice may be required.



Claire Elliott – Business Development Manager,
CLSQ

Managing Risk in Residential & Commercial Property Transactions: When Legal Indemnity Insurance Makes Sense

Legal indemnity insurance can play an important role in helping transactions proceed where legal defects or title issues arise. Claire will explore when indemnity insurance is an appropriate solution, the types of risks it can address, and the practical considerations for residential and commercial property practitioners. This session will help conveyancers understand how indemnity policies can support clients while managing transactional risk and maintaining momentum in property deals.



Caroline Pattinson – Director, Pattinsons

The Pros and Cons of Auction Sales as a Disposal Strategy: What Property Lawyers Need to Know About the Growing Use of Auctions

Property auctions are becoming an increasingly popular route for disposing of both residential and commercial property. Caroline will examine why organisations, developers and registered providers are increasingly turning to auctions, the advantages and potential pitfalls of this approach, and the key legal considerations for practitioners advising clients. Drawing on her extensive industry experience, she'll also explore how disposal strategies are evolving and what property lawyers need to know to support clients through auction transactions.

