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**INSTITUTE OF  
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# CPD COURSES AND SHORT COURSES

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## CONTINUOUS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT THE INSTITUTE OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL STUDIES

### INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Institute of Professional Legal Studies Continuing Professional Development brochure which provides you with details of the upcoming Continuing Professional Development Courses being offered by the Institute in 2021 and the early part of 2022.

The CPD Courses are an exciting addition to our established programme for Lawyers. Each course is designed to meet the needs of busy professionals. Our trainers are highly experienced practitioners and experts in their field.

Whether you wish to update your knowledge or refresh your skills I hope you will find one of our courses to meet your needs. Our programme reflects the changes in practice in the evolving working landscape.

### BARBARA JEMPHREY, DIRECTOR

#### STUART HARPER

Stuart has recently joined IPLS as a lecturer after practicing as a solicitor for over 15 years. If you have a particular training requirement or are interested in delivering a specific topic please contact him and he will be pleased to discuss how we can work with you.







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# LEGAL MINI MBA





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Apply an MBA focus to your leadership in 5 days with the Queen's University Legal Mini MBA.

The **Legal Mini MBA** is a fast track leadership development experience developed for qualified solicitors and barristers. The programme has been designed by expert Queen's University faculty from the Clinton Leadership Institute and the Institute of Professional and Legal Studies. As a CPD approved programme, the Legal Mini MBA contributes to your continuous professional development learning requirements.

## DEVELOP PRACTICAL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT SKILLS

The Legal Mini MBA provides legal professionals with a practical toolkit to confidently manage and lead a legal practice.

Participants joining the Legal Mini MBA will;

- Gain a broad understanding of the core elements of business; leadership, strategy and markets, people and performance, finance and commerce
- Explore the drivers for change and trends within the legal services macro market.
- Learn how to navigate challenges and embrace opportunities.
- Elevate decision-making abilities, driving confidence and impact as a leader.
- Expand their legal professional network with peer support.

Add power to your career and boost your competitive edge with the legal Mini MBA programme.

## THE INSTITUTE OF PROFESSIONAL AND LEGAL STUDIES

**An Exceptional On Campus Learning Experience at the Institute of Professional and Legal Studies, Belfast**

The Legal Mini MBA is delivered **in person** by expert programme directors from the Clinton Leadership Institute at the Institute of Professional and Legal Studies, Lennoxvale, Belfast. This CPD Approved course is designed to be immersive and is delivered in one impactful week, in five consecutive days.



## Lead with Impact

Stand out from the crowd and power your legal career. Learn to lead with impact in a legal business environment. Add the Queen's University Legal Mini MBA focus to your leadership toolkit. Places are limited for this high demand programme, so get in touch today.

### CPD Approval

**The Legal Mini MBA meets the following CPD requirements;**

- ✓ 3 hours client care and practice management
- ✓ 7 hours general group study
- ✓ 5 hours private study

**Cost** £2500 5 days In-person

**Venue** The Institute of Professional and Legal Studies, Queen's University, 10 Lennoxvale, Belfast. BT9 5BS

Get in touch for more information and to discuss the course;

e-mail: [leadershipinstitute@qub.ac.uk](mailto:leadershipinstitute@qub.ac.uk)  
call us on **028 9097 4394**

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## The Legal Mini-MBA Programme Schedule 5 Days, 5 Modules

- 1** Day 1 - Module 1  
Monday 13th September, 9am to 5pm  
**Leadership, Disrupted**
- 2** Day 2 - Module 2  
Tuesday 14th September, 9am to 5pm  
**Strategy and Markets**
- 3** Day 3 - Module 3  
Wednesday 15th September, 9am to 5pm  
**Finance and Commerce**
- 4** Day 4 - Module 4  
Thursday 16th September, 9am to 5pm  
**People and Performance**
- 5** Day 5 - Module 5  
Friday 17th September, 9am to 5pm  
**Case Study**

## The Queen's University Mini MBA Testimonial

'The Mini-MBA at the Leadership Institute was phenomenal. The programme was fantastic, with excellent insights into strategy, financials and leadership. I have attended many courses around the world and this is the first one that really engages and where you really meet people directly. The course directors were fantastic and facilitated the group to encourage self-awareness, self-improvement and a different mindset. The Mini-MBA instills confidence, a real boost for going back into the workplace'

Robert Hamilton  
Global Director Utilities & Infrastructure, London





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# SHORT COURSES





# CHARITY LAW & GOVERNANCE

The charity sector in Northern Ireland faces considerable challenges as it deals with the consequences of the Covid-19 Pandemic. Northern Ireland has a large and vibrant charity sector ranging from small groups meeting local needs with few resources to charities who are household names, operating with budgets of millions. There are many legal and governance issues which are fundamental to the effective operation and success of a charity. The regulatory landscape for charities is quickly changing in this jurisdiction. This course will consider many of these regulatory and operational matters.

## WE WILL COVER THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Establishing a charity: legal structures & registration requirements;
- Governance codes & regulatory requirements;
- Board responsibilities and managing risk;
- Fundraising codes & best practice
- People Management, Human Resources, Volunteering and Mental Health – issues and solutions.
- Data protection issues – the common-law versus the common misconception.
- Procurement and tendering. Public/private tendering - pre and post Brexit – and TUPE issues – what to watch out for.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The course will appeal to solicitors and barristers in practice who advise charitable organisations. It will also appeal to those working in the charity sector or those who hold positions on boards of organisations or in a management capacity. We invite legal professionals and individuals involved with the charity sector to apply.

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## Course Details

### VENUE

Institute of Professional Legal Studies Queen's University Belfast, 10 Lennoxvale, Belfast, BT9 5BY

### DATES

Thursday 23rd September 2021  
Thursday 30th September 2021  
Thursday 7th October 2021  
Thursday 14th October 2021

Each night the sessions will be from 6pm-8.00pm with refreshments available from 5.30pm.

### CPD

Time spent by solicitors and barristers attending lectures and workshops in person or completing these via e-learning as part of this course can be claimed towards your annual CPD requirement. Attendance at this course will cover 8 hours of group study CPD.

### TIMETABLE

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### FEES and REGISTRATION

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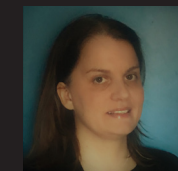
## SPEAKERS

### Nicole Lappin, Chief Charity Commissioner



Nicole Lappin was appointed Chief Commissioner of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland in August 2019. She is a qualified barrister and has taught a variety of courses at IPLS for over ten years. Chair of the NI Ambulance Service, Nicole has a portfolio of governance positions which enables her to share best practice governance across a number of sectors. A previous Non-executive Director with the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority in Dublin means that she has developed an insight into regulatory issues in a number of different sectors which is further enhanced through her role as Chair of a Fitness to Practise Committee for the Pharmaceutical Society for NI.

### Ruth Mc Murray, Legal Adviser - Charity Commission for Northern Ireland



Ruth is a Legal Adviser in the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland. She studied Law and Politics at Ulster University, Derry, graduating in 2005, before undertaking postgraduate study at the Institute of Professional Legal Studies at Queens University, Belfast in 2008. She trained as a solicitor in a prominent defence litigation firm in Belfast qualifying in 2010, where she practised as a defence litigation solicitor until 2017, before joining the Commission. Her current role as Legal Adviser is to provide legal advice to and on behalf of the Commission on all legal matters, particularly in relation to the Charities Act (NI) 2008.

### Sarah Sellars, Solicitor



Sarah is a qualified solicitor. She has a background in professional fundraising and continues to volunteer in the third sector where and when she can. She is presently a member of the Board of CCEA; a trustee of Parenting NI, and of an Oxford-based housing trust; a helpline volunteer with the national patient safety charity Action Against Medical Accidents; and is involved in her local school PTA.

### Catherine Cooney, Solicitor



Catherine joined Worthingtons as a new Partner and Head of Charities three years ago. She has specialised in charity law for the last 8 years and stands out as an expert in this area of law.

Catherine has been ranked in Chambers UK legal directory as a charity law expert for the last five years with Worthingtons being ranked as one of the leading charity law firms in Northern Ireland. She is known for her pragmatic approach to matters and her detailed knowledge of the law and this sector.

### Gareth Walls - Solicitor



Gareth Walls is partner and head of the A&L Goodbody Employment and Incentives team in Northern Ireland. Gareth represents a number of local, national and international brands in business support, strategic workforce planning and high profile tribunal matters. He also has significant experience in corporate immigration, redundancy, re-structuring and TUPE issues. Gareth is an accomplished commercial litigator with particular emphasis on discrimination and injunctive relief in the Employment context, as well as being a sought after speaker on Employment issues in Northern Ireland. He is also a voluntary director and Board member of a number of local charities.

### Michaela Diver - Solicitor



Micaela Diver is a partner in A&L Goodbody's Litigation Department. Micaela specialises in Public & Regulatory law and is experienced in complex, high profile cases in the Northern Irish Commercial Court. She advises clients in both the public and private sector on contentious and non-contentious public procurement law matters, including large scale outsourcing and infrastructure projects. She also advises clients on competition law matters including compliance, merger control and private damages actions.

### Johnathan Hacking - Solicitor



Jonny Hacking is a Senior Associate in A&L Goodbody's commercial and technology team. Jonny has responsibility for advising clients on a wide variety of commercial agreements as well as complex intellectual property and data protection matters. Jonny also advises clients on the law relating to the sale of goods and services and compliance with general legislative requirements, in particular relevant consumer rights legislation and applicable EU treaties, directives and regulations. Jonny regularly advises clients on outsourced shared services and managed services arrangements and is an expert on data protection.





# EMPLOYMENT LAW

This is a time of unprecedented change and growing complexity in the area of employment law. Understanding these developments is of critical importance to those seeking to negotiate a surefooted pathway through the workplace environment. IPLS is delighted to bring together a team of leading employment law practitioners, and two judges, to deliver a course which will provide a thorough grounding in the key components and latest developments in this highly specialised area of law.

## WE WILL COVER THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Overview of practice within the Tribunals
- Whistleblowing
- Equal Pay
- Advanced discrimination
- Remedies within employment context
- Advanced practice & procedure

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The course will appeal to those in both the public and private sectors: legal practitioners, employers, company directors, regulatory bodies, and HR professionals.



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## Course Details

### VENUE

Institute of Professional Legal Studies Queen's University Belfast, 10 Lennoxvale, Belfast, BT9 5BY

### DATES

Tuesday 14th September 2021

Tuesday 21st September 2021

Tuesday 28th September 2021

Tuesday 5th October 2021

Tuesday 12th October 2021

Tuesday 19th October 2021

Each night the sessions will be from 6pm-8.15pm with refreshments available from 5.30pm.

### CPD

Time spent by Solicitors and Barristers attending lectures and workshops in person or completing these via e-learning as part of this course can be claimed towards your annual CPD requirement. Attendance at this course will cover 9 hours of group study CPD.

### TIMETABLE

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## COURSE CO-ORDINATORS

### Ryan Cushley BL



Ryan Cushley was called to the Bar in 2014 and practices primarily in employment law. He acts for both Claimants and Respondents in the Tribunals, as well as acting in employment-related cases in the civil courts. Since 2018, Ryan has been responsible for teaching the employment tribunals module at the Institute of Professional Legal Studies, and he is a committee member of the Employment Lawyers Group Northern Ireland.

### Emma McIlveen BL



Emma has appeared in the Employment Tribunals, Court of Appeal and in front of Regulatory Panels. Emma represents both Claimants and Respondents and has acted as sole counsel in a wide range of matters including complex discrimination matters. She has experience of representing vulnerable Claimants and is well versed on Galo adjustments. Emma serves on the committee of the Employment Lawyers Group in Northern Ireland. Emma is also called to the Bar of Ireland and has experience of advising in relation to differences between employment law in Northern Ireland, GB and the Republic of Ireland.

## SPEAKERS

### Judge Hamill

Conor Hamill has been an Employment Judge since 2019 and was Barrister specialising in employment law for the preceding 20 years.

He qualified as a barrister in 1990 and for the first 10 years practised in the civil and criminal courts with a growing caseload in the Employment Tribunals. By the early 2000's this had developed to the extent that he practised almost exclusively in that sphere until his appointment. His work covered every aspect of employment and discrimination law, being instructed for both claimants and respondents. He was on the committee of the Employment Lawyers' Group for several years and was elected chair of ELG in 2017.

### Rachel Best BL



Having been called to the Bar in 2006, Rachel is an expert in high value, very complex litigation and is well known as a highly skilled advocate. She specialises in employment law, most notably discrimination, equal pay, protected disclosures and victimisations, representing both claimants and respondents. She is regularly instructed on behalf of Government Departments and the Police Service for Northern Ireland. Rachel also has experience of presenting cases of professional misconduct and has a well established High Court personal injury practice.

### Barry Mulqueen BL



Called to the Bar of Northern Ireland in September 1995 and the Bar of Ireland in 1998 Barry has developed a wide and varied employment law practice covering Industrial and Fair Employment Tribunals, the County Court, High Court and Court of Appeal. Barry has represented both employees and employers in complex, high value discrimination claims involving religious belief/political opinion, sex, sexual orientation, race, disability, and age as well as unfair dismissal, breach of contract, TUPE, equal pay, whistleblowing, restraint of trade, stress at work cases and employment related injunctive proceedings.

### Paul Upson, Associate Director, Napier Solicitors-Head of Employment



Paul has over 16 years post qualification experience in employment law. He advises on all aspects of employment law, both contentious and non-contentious – with a special interest in discrimination matters. He acts for clients in the Industrial Tribunals and the Fair Employment Tribunal; the High Court; and the Northern Ireland Court of Appeal. Paul regularly provides training to clients on employment law and equality issues. He has presented courses on discrimination law for Legal Island and the School of Law at the University of Ulster; and has worked with Chartered Accountants Ireland to provide employment law updates to their members. He also writes Legal Island's Quarterly Education Law Update, which includes guidance for schools in relation to employment law issues. Paul is a committee member of the Employment Lawyers Group for Northern Ireland and is a member of the Employment Lawyers Association.

### Judge Murray

Órla Murray has been a full time Employment Judge since 2009 and was a fee-paid Employment Judge for five years before that. She qualified as a solicitor in 1988 and spent just under 10 years in private practice during most of which she was engaged in plaintiff litigation in the County Court and High Court and in employment law for a firm of solicitors which acted for a large Trade Union. She then joined the Departmental Solicitor's Office and spent 12 years working in employment law and policy work for NICS departments. She was a member of the Law Society Human Rights and ADR committees for several years. She was also on the committee of the Employment Lawyers' Group for several years and was elected chair of ELG in 2001.

### Ciara Fulton, Partner, Jones Cassidy Brett Solicitors



Ciara is dual qualified and advises on all aspects of employment law in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. She has significant experience of advising clients on the full range of employment issues including complex discrimination issues, bullying and harassment claims, disciplinary and grievance matters, business reorganisations, redundancies, senior executive severances, restrictive covenants, employment related litigation and TUPE. Ciara has been ranked as a leader in her field by both Chambers and Partners UK and the Legal 500 and is described as "excellent" and has been praised for her "practical and commercial approach". Ciara regularly speaks on a range of employment issues at internal and external events and delivers bespoke training to clients on the differences between NI and ROI employment law.

### Mary Kitson, Senior Legal Officer, Equality Commission NI



Mary qualified as a solicitor in 1992. She worked for a commercial law firm for 1 year before joining the Fair Employment Commission's legal team. During her time with the FEC Mary worked as a Legal Officer providing advice and assistance to people who believed that they had suffered religious and/or political discrimination. In 2000 Mary joined the Equality Commission and as a Senior Legal Officer deals with strategic litigation across all areas of equality law in NI, both in the field of employment and the provision of services. Mary has brought discrimination cases on behalf of Applicants in the Tribunal, County Court, SENDIST, Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court.

Mary also sits on the Committee of the Employment Lawyers Group and is a member of the Law Society Northern Ireland's Human Rights and Equality Group.



# HOUSING LAW AND POLICY

Delivered by the Institute of Professional Legal Studies in conjunction with Housing Rights, this course offers an introduction to housing law and policy in Northern Ireland. It will cover aspects of housing law such as social housing, the private rented sector and home ownership.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Solicitors and barristers who practice in housing law
- Professionals working in the housing sector
- Those with an interest in policy and research in the housing sector.

The course will be offered as a mix of seminars at the Institute and online.

## HOUSING RIGHTS

Housing Rights was established in 1964. It provides independent advice, advocacy, and legal representation for those experiencing housing problems. It offers training and information on housing and homelessness issues in NI and carries out housing and homelessness policy work to affect positive change. Its work is aimed at preventing homelessness, helping people access appropriate accommodation, and where possible, helping people sustain their existing accommodation.

## SPEAKERS

### Charles O'Neill Solicitor



Charles O'Neill is Director of Product Development with Co-Ownership. Charles has previously held a number of legal and operational roles within the organisation.

A solicitor by profession, he has a keen interest in housing law and policy and has written textbooks on the law of mortgages and private tenancies in Northern Ireland.

### Stuart Harper Solicitor



Stuart started his career in private practice in a general practice firm gaining experience in residential and commercial property, after ten years he moved to Co-Ownership as a Senior

Legal Adviser where he spent seven years. He has recently been appointed as a permanent, full time lecturer at the Institute of Professional Legal Studies. Stuart has a keen interest in Housing Law.

### Faith Westwood



Faith Westwood graduated from Queens University in 2004 with a degree in Law. After graduation She worked in the legal department of an investment bank negotiating international trade contracts. Faith has worked for Housing Rights for 12 years in a variety of roles including advice, advocacy and representation, developing and delivering expert training and support on housing issues to other housing practitioners; and as a mediator. She has varied experience and knowledge of the housing sector in Northern Ireland and particular expertise in the Private Rented Sector and Social Housing.

### Justin Cartwright



Justin Cartwright is National Director for Northern Ireland at the Chartered Institute of Housing (CIH). Justin is experienced in policy development in Australia and Northern Ireland with a focus on social and economic issues. For the past seven years he has developed housing policy and professional practice at CIH Northern Ireland where he has variously led the organisation's marketing, communications and member engagement work.

### Jordan Buchanan



Jordan Buchanan is the Chief Economist at PropertyPal, acting as the spokesperson for the company and a trusted subject matter expert on all UK and Northern Ireland economic and housing matters. Jordan is member of the Board of Directors in Co-Ownership, Northern Ireland's shared ownership provider. Jordan lectured in Economics in the Ulster Business School and is a regular commentator across a range of media outlets.

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## Course Details

### VENUE

Institute of Professional Legal Studies Queen's University Belfast, 10 Lennoxvale, Belfast, BT9 5BY

### DATES

Tuesday 18th January 2022  
Tuesday 25th January 2022  
Tuesday 1st February 2022 - Online  
Tuesday 8th February 2022

Each night the sessions will be from 6pm-8.00pm. Where the session is at IPLS refreshments will be available from 5.30pm.

### CPD

Time spent by Solicitors and Barristers attending lectures and workshops in person or completing these via e-learning as part of this course can be claimed towards your annual CPD requirement. Attendance at this course will cover 8 hours of group study CPD.

### TIMETABLE

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## Course Outline

1

Module 1  
18th January 2022, 6pm to 8pm  
**The Private Rented Sector**

This will cover the current legislative framework in the private rented sector including recent developments such as landlord registration and tenancy deposit provisions and the Houses in Multiple Occupation Act (NI) 2016.

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Module 2  
25th January 2022, 6pm to 8pm  
**Social housing**

This will cover aspects of the social housing sector including the legislative provisions relating to the allocation and provision of social housing including the nature of the tenancies provided and the responsibilities of landlord and tenant. It will also cover the law relating to homelessness in Northern Ireland including the eligibility for assistance and the rights and duties owed in relation to homelessness.

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Module 3  
1st February 2022, 6pm to 8pm  
**Home ownership**

This will cover aspects of the home buying process including the new Home Charter Provisions, the Joint Memorandum on Improving Communications between the Professions. It will also discuss commonly encountered issues such as service charges and management companies.

4

Module 4  
8th February 2022, 6pm to 8pm  
**Housing policy in Northern Ireland**

This will cover aspects of housing policy in Northern Ireland including coverage of the current housing market in the province and current housing policy in general. It will also cover recent developments in planning and building control law.



# FORENSIC MEDICINE AND LEGAL PROCESS

Queen's University Belfast has developed a new module designed to introduce relevant professionals including doctors, dentists, forensic nurses and lawyers to forensic medicine and the legal aspects of medical practice. This includes the role of the General Medical Council in the regulation of doctors as well as explain the role of the forensic pathologist in the investigation of sudden, unexpected and suspicious deaths and how forensic science can assist in the investigation of crime

The course is wide ranging, providing participants with the opportunity to gain knowledge and understanding as to how injuries are interpreted, cases are prepared for court and the court process as well as a special focus on the role of the coroner.

## ABOUT THE COURSE

The Forensic Medicine and Legal Process course will provide an inter-disciplinary context to help professional practitioners develop their generic knowledge, skills and understanding of the interaction between the medical, dental and legal professions in relation to forensic medicine.

The course will include consideration of non-accidental injury in infants and young children and forensic aspects of sexual offences. It will consider drugs and alcohol; their misuse and how these substances are detected and quantified. It will also consider various methods by which deceased persons can be identified, both single cases and mass disasters including DNA, dental records and other methods.

The course will include a number of formal lectures and group discussion sessions. In addition, candidates will be expected to take part in case presentations and comment on forensic case scenarios. There will also be an opportunity for participants to practice their courtroom skills by participating in a mock courtroom presentation and be subject to cross-examination.

## SKILLS YOU WILL GAIN

Upon completion of the course the practitioner will successfully be able to:

- Identify the potential causes of death in a number of difference scenarios
- Apply the appropriate legal principles and procedures to medical practice generally and in particular in the event of a death

- Identify the nature of injuries and interpret these understanding their potential Medico-Legal significance in particular
- Non accidental injury in children, sexual offences and sudden infant death
- Prepare Medico-Legal Reports and be able to effectively utilize Medico-Legal Reports in Court

## SPEAKERS

### Professor Jack Crane



Honorary Professor of Forensic Medicine and retired State Pathologist in Northern Ireland with international reputation, Professor Jack Crane joined the Northern Ireland State Pathologists department in 1980 as a registrar, later becoming a consultant and then appointed the department head in January 1990.

Professor Crane is highly regarded for his valuable contribution during his time as State Pathologist, having developed a forensic pathology service in Northern Ireland regarded with 'International Renown'. Professor Crane retired after 24 years having held the position during some of the worst violence of the troubles and will be sharing his knowledge and expertise on Forensic Medicine with participants of the course.

### Ms Barbara Jemphrey



Barbara Jemphrey is Director of the Institute of Professional Legal Studies.

### Diane Nixon



Diane Nixon was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 1997. She practised full-time as a barrister until she returned to Northern Ireland in 2008 when she combined teaching with professional practice at the Bar. She was called to the Bar of Northern Ireland in 2008.



## Course Details

### FEES

Forensic Medicine and Legal Process is a 20 CAT module and is charged at the standard PGT CAT point rate. More information on start dates is available on the website: <http://www.qub.ac.uk/Study/MHLS/ForensicMedicineandLegalProcess/>

The fee for this module will be charged at standard postgraduate fee rate 1 –  
Home £34.11 – Per CAT Point (x 20 CATS)  
International £93.89 – Per CAT point (x 20 CATS)

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Candidates must hold a professional qualification and be registered:

- Medical or dental practitioners
- Qualified nurses undertaking forensic work or
- Practising solicitors or Barristers

We would also welcome applications from Coroners' Liaison Officers, Medical Advisers to the Coroners' Service as well as those working for Forensic Science Northern Ireland.

### HOW TO APPLY

Apply using our online Postgraduate Applications Portal [go.qub.ac.uk/pgapply](http://go.qub.ac.uk/pgapply) and follow the step-by-step instructions on how to apply.

### FURTHER INFORMATION

If you need further or more detailed advice about the admission to Queen's, the Postgraduate and Professional Development office in the School of Medicine, Dentistry and Biomedical Science is happy to answer your questions. For further information, please contact:

E: [pgoffice.smdb@qub.ac.uk](mailto:pgoffice.smdb@qub.ac.uk)  
T: +44 (0)28 9097 2619

## Course Outline

### 1 INTRODUCTION TO FORENSIC MEDICINE

- Forensic Pathology
- Clinical Forensic Medicine
- Forensic Toxicology
- Forensic Psychiatry
- The Law and Medical Practice

### 2 NATURAL AND UNNATURAL DEATH

- The Medico-Legal Autopsy
- Death Certification
- The Role and Function of the Coroner

### 3 DESCRIPTION OF INJURIES

- Injury Interpretation
- Medico-Legal Significance of Injuries

### 4 ALCOHOL AND DRUG MISUSE

- Drug/Drinking Offences

### 5 CHILD ABUSE (NON-ACCIDENTAL INJURY)

- Sudden Infant Death
- Sexual Offences

### 6 INTRODUCTION TO COURT PROCEDURE BOTH CIVIL AND CRIMINAL

- Pitfalls in drafting Medico-Legal Reports

### 7 PRESENTATION OF MEDICAL EVIDENCE IN COURT

- The Role of the Expert Witness

### 8 THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL

- Fitness to Practice
- Medical Practitioners Tribunal Service

### 9 FORENSIC SCIENCE (INCLUDING DNA)

### 10 PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS RELATING TO CONSENT

### 11 CONFIDENTIALITY IN MEDICAL PRACTICE



# CRIMINAL LAW

## VULNERABLE WITNESSES AND DEFENDANTS

Participants will hear from leaders in the jurisdiction on best practice in the treatment of vulnerable witnesses and defendants.

The course will allow participants to hear Judicial and Registered Intermediary perspectives. Practitioners will provide insights gained from their experience.

Throughout the duration of the course a case study will be discussed. Workshops will be undertaken and these will provide an opportunity for participants to gain some practical experience.

## COURSE CO-ORDINATOR



Diane Nixon was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 1997. She practised full-time as a barrister until she returned to Northern Ireland in 2008 when she combined teaching with professional practice at the Bar. She was called to the Bar of Northern Ireland in 2008.

In 2013 Diane qualified as a police station representative (Cardiff University) under the Solicitors Regulation Authority and Legal Aid Agency scheme regulations for England and Wales. She is also “duty-qualified” for England and Wales.

Diane was appointed Chief Examiner (Professional Ethics) to the Bar Standards Board for the Bar Professional Training Course in 2019, having held the post of Assistant Chief Examiner since 2014.

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# SEMINARS AND UPDATERS





# CONVEYANCING AND PRACTICE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR

This is the fifth annual three hour Conveyancing CPD event. This has proved to be a very popular event and early booking is recommended.

## TOPICS

As well as providing updates on recent conveyancing case law and Law Society practice directions (and the practical implications these may have for your practice), the seminar will concentrate on **conveyancing during the Coronavirus Pandemic** and in particular;

- the experience for solicitors and how they have adapted to the new working landscape;
- the use of electronic signatures and some recent developments in England and Wales.

**And dealing with defective titles**, in particular:

- The pros and cons of title insurance and how best to utilise this solution;
- When and how one might seek deeds of rectification;
- The development of a lease appropriate for use in the sale of apartments.

**DATE** Thursday 16th September 2021  
**TIME** 9.30 am – 1.00 pm  
**COST** £100

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## VENUE

Institute of Professional Legal Studies Queen's University Belfast, 10 Lennoxvale, Belfast, BT9 5BY

(Please note that if restrictions are in place which prevent meeting in person, we shall deliver the seminar online by webinar. We shall contact you with details nearer the time)

## CPD

3 CPD hours will be awarded for attendance at this seminar. These hours will meet the three hour compulsory conveyancing CPD requirement for conveyancing solicitors and also the compulsory practice management CPD requirement.

## CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS

Monday 13th September 2021  
Applications will be taken on a first-come first-served basis.

# DATA PRIVACY LAW & ONLINE LIABILITY

Privacy laws in 2021 provide fundamental legal rights to any living individual. Understanding privacy and reputational rights has become complex in this rapidly evolving area of law. Since the fall out of Schrems II and post Brexit, data privacy law and online liability has become an area of the law which impacts all of us, reflected by the explosion of privacy regulation and protection in recent years. Many organisations are having to rethink approaches to data privacy and digital reputation. This legal session will help you understand some of the key legal issues in this developing area of the law.

**DATE** Wednesday 22nd September 2021  
**TIME** 5.30pm – 6.30pm  
**COST** £40

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## VENUE

Institute of Professional Legal Studies Queen's University Belfast, 10 Lennoxvale, Belfast, BT9 5BY

## CPD

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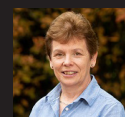
## SPEAKERS

### Mr Simon Murray



Simon is a partner in Murray Kelly Moore Solicitors and has extensive experience in domestic and commercial conveyancing. He was a member of the Council of the Law Society and is currently a member of the Law Society Conveyancing and Property Committee. He was chairman for four years of the Professional Indemnity and Risk Management committee.

### Mrs Ruth Craig



Ruth practiced as a solicitor before coming to the Institute where she teaches Property Law and Practice. She is a senior lecturer at IPLS. She was consultant editor of 'Residential Property Law in Northern Ireland' and is a contributing editor to the Law Society's 'Folio' periodical.

### Mr Stuart Harper



Stuart started his career in private practice in a general practice firm gaining experience in residential and commercial property, after ten years he moved to the Co-Ownership Housing Association as a Senior Legal Adviser where he spent seven years. He has recently been appointed as a permanent, full time lecturer at the Institute. He currently sits as a member of the Law Society of Northern Ireland's Conveyancing and Property Committee.

## SPEAKER



### Olivia O'Kane

Olivia is Head of Media & Entertainments at Carson McDowell LLP.

She graduated with a first class honours degree from QUB and later qualified in 2012 as a Solicitor Advocate.

She represents various media clients including CNN International; Facebook, Inc; Twitter, Inc; and Independent News & Media Plc. Olivia has been involved in landmark judgments in Northern Ireland's Court of Appeal regarding the law on libel, privacy, copyright and e-commerce law and she regularly represents the media in regard to reporting restrictions.

She has been a guest speaker for Queen's University law students, NUJ, News Brands Ireland and Film Hub NI as well as a regular commentator on UTV, BBC NI and Radio Ulster on media related topics.



# DIRECTOR'S OBLIGATIONS AND LIABILITIES

## TOPIC

- Exploring the statutory framework with a focus on how these obligations and liabilities have been effected by the pandemic
- The introduction of CIGA (Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act) 2020

## SPEAKER

Michelle Cully



Michelle has spent the last 2 decades acting in contentious and non-contentious litigation in bankruptcy and insolvency, insurance and commercial litigation involving property and banking litigation.

Michelle advises banks on recovery actions, security realisation and contentious litigation. She also acts for banks, lending institutions and private clients in their capacity as creditor in relation to debt recovery involving commercial litigation, insolvency and bankruptcy.

Michelle is a member of the Law Society of Northern Ireland, R3, Women in Business and the Belfast Solicitors' Association. Michelle also sits on the Northern Ireland Committee and is a Director of the Franco-British Lawyers Society.

**DATE** Wednesday 20th October 2021  
**TIME** 5.30pm – 6.30pm  
**COST** £40

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## CPD

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# PROPERTY UPDATER

## TOPIC

### Updated Home Charter Scheme

This seminar will consider the introduction of the updated Home Charter Scheme documents from 1st January 2021 and discuss their implications in practice. There will be a focus on lessons learned since their introduction.

### Solicitors' Negligence – An Update

This seminar will consider recent case law on solicitors' negligence and highlight issues of which property practitioners need to be mindful.

## SPEAKERS

Andrew Kirkpatrick



Andrew Kirkpatrick is a solicitor with Murray Kelly Moore Solicitors in Bangor specialising in conveyancing and private client work. He joined the firm in January 2021.

Andrew qualified as a solicitor in 2002 after training in Carson McDowell Solicitors then spent 11 years in Mills Selig Solicitors in Belfast. He moved to the Law Society of Northern Ireland in 2014 and became Head of Policy. As part of that role in the Society, he was involved in the review of the Home Charter Scheme as Secretary to the Conveyancing & Property Committee.

Douglas Stevenson BL



Douglas was called to the Bar in 2009. Prior to that, he worked for 6 years as a commercial property solicitor with Carson McDowell. He regularly appears in the Chancery Court, the Commercial Court and the Lands Tribunal. He provides non

contentious advice on property related matters to private clients and public bodies, including the Law Society. He represents the solicitors' insurers in defending professional negligence actions against solicitors.

**DATE** Thursday 18th November 2021  
**TIME** 5.30pm – 7.30pm  
**COST** £100

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## VENUE

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## CPD

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