



The Costs Lawyer Standards Board, setting and maintaining standards in the profession

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Communication

The CLSB has reinstated its newsletter for efficient communication on regulatory matters, this will hopefully keep you better informed going forward.

Role of the CLSB

At the ACL National Conference in October, the CLSB noted that misunderstanding remained on the role of the ACL and the CLSB.

The ACL (the professions representative body) was named as approved regulator under the Legal Services Act 2007 (LSA). The LSA however required that the role of regulator be independent of the representative body, hence why the CLSB was formed. The CLSB has acted as the professions approved regulator, under delegated authority of the ACL, since 31 October 2011. It is the CLSB that sets and maintains standards in the profession, standards underpinned by the Costs Lawyer code of conduct. It is the CLSB that provides authorised rights under the LSA via a Costs Lawyer practising certificate and it is the CLSB that provides a redress mechanism for the consumer.

2018 Costs Lawyer practising certificate fee

The CLSB is pleased to advise the Legal Services Board has approved the 2018 practising certificate fee in the sum of £250.00. Through sound financial management, the CLSB is pleased it has been able to keep its fee at the same rate for the seven consecutive years.

2018 practising certificate packs

We are currently preparing the 2018 practising certificate packs, if you have changed your residential address during the last year, and have not notified the CLSB directly, please email us on enquiries@clsb.info. This will ensure effective delivery. Please note that if you notified the ACL of a change of address, this would not have resulted in the CLSB database also being updated as we are separate organisation. Also, if it is not your intention to renew your certificate next year e.g. due to retirement, please let us know so we can remove your details from the mailing register.

2017 CPD records

If you have misplaced your 2017 CPD record, this can be downloaded via the CLSB website via "Costs Lawyer Handbook" then "forms."

Work address & phone number

As you know, during 2017 we undertook an exercise to seek consent to publish your work contact details on the register on our website. For those that gave that consent, the exercise has now been completed. This now provides a search facility for potential new clients looking to locate and contact a Costs Lawyer. Should you move employers going forward, please remember to let the CLSB know so we can update our database, and that register.

Deadline for 2018 practising certificate applications

The deadline for the CLSB receiving fully completed application forms is 31 December 2017. If not received by that date, an additional administration fee of £30.00 for reinstatement onto the register will become payable.

Costs Lawyer qualification

The CLSB has taken the difficult decision to suspend any further intake onto the current three year Costs Lawyer qualification. This decision was based on ACL Training having reported a significant fall in the number of trainees over the last two academic years, making future provision of the qualification uncertain. With such uncertainty, it was only right this action be taken. The ACL Chair has given the CLSB a verbal assurance that ACL Training is in a financial position to honour its contractual obligations to trainees currently enrolled on academic years 1, 2 and 3. The CLSB is grateful for that assurance. The CLSB will now focus on other means of entry into the profession e.g. Costs Lawyer competence test, apprenticeship, thus assuring standards expected of a regulated profession are met.

Newly qualified and authorised Costs Lawyers

In recent months, the CLSB has been pleased to congratulate and welcome the following newly qualified Costs Lawyers who have applied for a 2017 practising certificate. The CLSB currently authorises and regulates 703 Costs Lawyers.

Melissa Aspin	CL 1403
David Bailey-Vella	CL 1404
Michael Beasley	CL 1405
Carl Bird	CL 1406
Kirsty Blain	CL 1407
Charlotte Boswell	CL 1408
Tom Brocklebank	CL 1411
Nathan Cameron	CL 1412
Dominic Cavill	CL 1413
Sean Chaffe	CL 1414
Samantha Clegg	CL 1415
Jane Coady	CL 1416
Steven Cox	CL 1417
Ian Curtis-Nye	CL 1418
Christopher Daniels	CL 1419
Nikki Davies	CL 1420
Rachel Day	CL 1421
Emily Dill	CL 1422

Francesca Ellis	CL 1423
Estelle Ford	CL 1424
Adam Grant	CL 1425
Christopher Griffin	CL 1426
Leanne Gunnee	CL 1427
Marc Harris	CL 1429
Martin Harris	CL 1430
Katherine Louise Hatch	CL 1431
Carly Higham	CL 1432
Suzanne Holmes	CL 1433
Adam Hood	CL 1434
David L Hughes	CL 1435
Carys James	CL 1436
Nathan James	CL 1437
Petra Jelonkova	CL 1438
Claire John	CL 1439
Neal Johnson	CL 1440
Amanda Johnston	CL 1441
Gabrielle Kinsella	CL 1442
Katie Langdon	CL 1443
Aimee Lawman	CL 1444
Izabela Lewinska	CL 1445
Louise Lister	CL 1446
Matthew Luckhurst	CL 1447
Rasa Maliukeviciute	CL 1448
Joseph Manning	CL 1449
Edward Marrow	CL 1450
Thomas Mason	CL 1451
Victoria-Louise Maugham	CL 1452
Almante Misauskaite	CL 1453
Kris Mohindra	CL 1454
Rachel Mole	CL 1455
Benjamin Moody	CL 1456
Leigh Murphy	CL 1457
Benjamin Nethercott	CL 1458
Natalya Parry	CL 1459
Amy Perry	CL 1460
Rebecca Peters	CL 1461
Rizvan Rasul	CL 1464
Zara Reaz	CL 1465
Richie Rees	CL 1466
Jack Ridgway	CL 1467
Thomas Roberts	CL 1468
Martin Rothwell	CL 1469
Megan Roxburgh	CL 1470
Jonathan Sandford	CL 1471
Gurjinder Sidhu	CL 1473
Louise Thomson	CL 1474

Bethany Thornborough	CL 1475
Kayleigh Tizard	CL 1476
Nimmi Virdee	CL 1477
Danielle Walker	CL 1478
Rebecca Whitfield	CL 1479
Antony Whittaker	CL 1480
Katie Williamson	CL 1481
Michael Yassin	CL 1482
Richie Young	CL 1483
Saloud Zaman	CL 1484
Paula McGregor	CL 1485
Tom McIlhagga	CL 1490
Emma Robinett	CL 1492
Jessica Winter-Riley	CL 1493

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