

PI update - autumn 2023



Building a Brighter Future
for Injured People

ATTEND IN-PERSON

Crowne Plaza City Centre, Manchester - Thursday, 5 October

The Montague on the Gardens, London - Thursday, 12 October

Radisson Blu, Belfast - Thursday, 26 October (Tailored for NI) Presented by Brett Dixon alone

Edinburgh (venue to be confirmed) - Friday, 27 October (Tailored for Scotland)

VIRTUAL PACKAGE

Live streamed - Thursday, 12 October

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Written and presented by top expert practitioners, professional presenters and JPIL case digest editors; APIL immediate past president, John McQuater and APIL secretary, Brett Dixon, will update you on all the latest developments in PI law, which have taken place over the last six months. This packed programme will provide you with the most up-to-date insight into practice, procedure and the latest case law.

Don't miss out on practical tips and insights into what is around the corner.

All dates will include:* *"Great topical content, Great speakers".*

- **Road traffic collisions**
 - Contributory negligence
 - Summary judgement applications
 - Causation and expert evidence
 - Emergency situations
 - Dangerous driving
- **Negligence, public and occupiers' liability**
 - Occupiers' liability
 - Clinical negligence
 - Liability for the actions of third parties
 - Amusement park injuries
- **Damages**
 - Aggravated damages
 - Psychiatric harm
 - PTSD
 - Terrorism
 - Inflationary increases on Judicial College Guidelines figures
- **Employers' liability** *"Really good and knowledgeable double act".*
 - Vicarious liability

ENGLAND AND WALES ONLY:

- **Procedure and costs** *"Glad to have attended. I learned a good deal".*
 - CPR update
 - QOCS
 - Expert evidence
 - Relief from sanctions and late witness statements
 - Setting aside default judgment
 - Part 36
 - Court fees
 - Costs

SCOTLAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND ONLY:

- **More on vicarious liability**
 - Addressing arguments about what is within the course of employment
 - The relevance of control to who is a duty holder
 - Regulations post Enterprise Act
- **More on negligence, public and occupiers' liability**
 - Applying res ipsa loquitur to the facts of a case

*Topics may be subject to change

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Speakers



BRETT DIXON

APIL Secretary, Brett Dixon Training

Brett is a consultant solicitor with higher rights of audience for all civil proceedings. His specialism is civil procedure and a specific interest in catastrophic personal injury work. He also owns and runs a firm providing training and consultancy services in relation to personal injury, technology and practice development.

He has been the president of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers on two occasions and is the current APIL secretary (elected in May 2022). He is also a Law Society council member and the chair of the Law Society Civil Justice Committee. He is a senior fellow of APIL and chair of the Senior Fellow Appointments Committee. He is involved in decisions in relation to interventions in civil proceedings recently including *Belsner v Cam* and *Ho v Adekun*.

He has been a member of the Civil Procedure Rule Committee for six years.

Separately, he is a member of the advisory group to the Ministry of Justice on the Official Injuries Claims system and has assisted 3rd sector groups in preparing guidance documents to that system. He is currently working with the Civil Justice Council on its report on updating pre-action protocols and MOJ officials in relation to dispute resolution.

He is a member of the Lexis Nexis Consulting Editorial Board and is currently writing a guide to accidents at work. He is the case and digest editor for the Journal of Personal Injury Law produced by Thomsons Reuters. He is regularly consulted by the legal press in relation to personal injury matters and has spoken at Westminster Policy Forums, the ABI conference, the APIL conference and Law Society conferences, Radio 4, local radio and BBC News.

He has given evidence to Parliament on several occasions in relation to civil proceedings and is regularly consulted by civil servants and the senior judiciary as well.



JOHN McQUATER

**APIL Immediate Past President
Director of Switalskis Solicitors Limited**

John McQuater qualified as a solicitor in 1983 and is a director of Switalskis Solicitors Limited where he is joint head of personal injury and a member of the complex injury team.

He is a member of the Law Society Clinical Negligence Accreditation Scheme and a member of the Law Society Personal Injury Accreditation Scheme (as well as being an assessor for that scheme). He had, whilst the scheme was operation, catastrophic injury accreditation from the Law Society.

He is an APIL Accredited Clinical Negligence Specialist, an APIL Accredited Brain Injury Specialist and an APIL Accredited Fatal Accident Specialist (also being an assessor for each of those schemes). He is a solicitor advocate, with rights of audience in the Higher Courts for all civil proceedings.

He is a member of the Association of Personal Injury Lawyers, with accredited status as a senior fellow.

He was elected to the APIL executive committee in 2005, was the APIL president from 2009 to 2010, re-elected to the executive committee in 2012, became APIL secretary in 2016 and re-elected as APIL president for 2022-2023.

He is also a member of the Forum of Complex Injury Solicitors, the Professional Negligence Lawyers Association, the Law Management Section of the Law Society, the South Yorkshire Medico-Legal Society and the Solicitors' Association of Higher Court Advocates.

He was a member of the Civil Procedure Rule Committee from 2019 and has been on the Law Society Civil Justice Committee from 2020.

He provides professional training on a range of subjects including procedure, practice management, occupiers' liability, contributory negligence, clinical negligence and evidence as well as regular updates on developments in the law. He has chaired sessions, and spoken, at many conferences including the APIL annual conference, the APIL clinical negligence conference, the APIL brain and spinal injury conference and the APIL business conference.

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