

Legal Wales Conference 2023

6 October 2023, Hilton Hotel, Cardiff

Conference Programme

09:00	REGISTRATION	09:30
09:30	Opening Address Jonathan Elystan Rees KC Chair of Legal Wales	09:45
09:45	Keynote address by Mick Antoniw AS, Counsel General for Wales and Minister for the Constitution	10:15
10:15	Report / Updates by Law Society National Board for Wales: (Speaker TBC) and the Law Council for Wales: Rt Hon Lord Lloyd-Jones JSC (Chair) and Dr Nerys Llewelyn Jones	10:45
10:45	REFRESHMENT BREAK	11:10
11:15	"Seven Years in Wales" The Hon Mr Justice Francis reflects on his time as Family Liaison Judge for Wales Introduction by The Hon Mrs Justice Morgan DBE, Family Division Liaison Judge for Wales.	11:45

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11:45 MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS 13:00

Public Law Wales

"Wales and Covid-19 Emergency Public Health Legislation"

Speakers:

Professor John Harrington, professor of Global Health Law, Cardiff University

Dr Ruth Hussey CB, OBE, DL Bingham Centre Independent Commission on UK Public Health Emergency, Vice chair Food Standards Agency and formerly Chief Medical Officer for Wales

Chair: Rhodri Williams KC, chair of Public Law Wales

Legal Services

Delivering excellence in legal services in Wales <u>Speaker:</u> Richard Orpin -Director, Regulation & Policy, Legal Services Board

SRA Wales Office

<u>Speaker</u>: Liz Withers – Head of

Welsh Affairs, SRA

Legal Ombudsman <u>Speaker:</u> Jason Chapman, Legal Ombudsman

Chair: Nicola Williams, SRA Board Member (Wales) (Partner, Eversheds)

Criminal Justice

"The Welsh Criminal Justice System on the Jagged Edge"

Speakers:

Dr Robert Jones; and Prof Richard Wyn Jones (Wales Governance Centre, Cardiff University)

Chair: HH Judge Tracy Lloyd-Clarke, The Recorder of Cardiff

13:00 **LUNCH** 14:00

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14:00

AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS

15:15

Public Law Wales

(Bilingual talk with simultaneous translation)

"Protecting the Historic Environment of Wales (The Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2023"

Speakers:

Alice Hart (National Trust Lawyer for Wales)

Dr Hayley Roberts of Bangor University and Vice Chair of the Royal Commission on Ancient and Historical Monuments in Wales

Chair: Laura Hughes (Executive Lead Wales at Browne Jacobson)

Law Reform

Update from the Law Commission of England and Wales

Speakers:

Rt Hon <u>Sir Nicholas</u> Green, Chair of the Law Commission

Nicholas Paines KC Commissioner for Public Law and Welsh Law

Welsh Tribunals Update

Speaker:
Rt Hon Sir Gary
Hickinbottom
President of Welsh
Tribunals

Welsh Commercial Law

Views on the Future of ADR in Wales

<u>Speakers:</u>

Siân Mirchandani KC and Rhys Taylor

International Commercial Courts

Speaker:

Christopher Grout (formerly Chief Executive and Registrar of the Qatar International Court)

Chair: The Hon Mrs Justice Jefford DBE, a Presiding Judge of the Wales Circuit

15:15 **REFRESHMENT BREAK** 15:45

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15:45	Keynote Address by Her Honour Judge Joanna Korner CMG KC British Judge at the International Criminal Court Introduction by Jonathan Elystan Rees KC	16:30
16:30	Welsh Legal History Society The History of the Sir Samuel Evans Prize Professor Thomas Watkin KC (hon) Presentation of the 2023 Centenary Prizes and the Prize for 2022 by Rt Hon Dame Sue Carr DBE and the Lady Chief Justice of Northern Ireland Chair: Prof Elwen Evans KC – Vice-Chancellor, University of Wales Trinity St David	17:00
17:00	Rt Hon Dame Sue Carr DBE Introduction by Jonathan Elystan Rees KC	17:20
17:20	Close of Conference by Jonathan Elystan Rees KC	17:30
Timing TBC	Legal Wales Conference Dinner Hilton Hotel, Cardiff. Dress code: business attire Guest Speaker: HH Wendy Joseph KC (author of "Unlawful Killings") Vote of thanks on behalf of the Guests: Lady Chief Justice of Northern Ireland (Rt Hon Dame Siobhan Keegan DBE)	

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