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Criminal Law Conference 2019

27 June 2019

Central London

Criminal practitioners are under intense pressure to do more with less, but to enable you to handle your evolving and heavy workload, you need to stay up to date with the latest developments.

Central Law Training is pleased to present the Criminal Law Conference 2019 which brings everything together in one day, with practical perspectives on criminal law practice that will raise your game to the next level. You'll hear the latest on evidence, vulnerable witnesses and Newton hearings, and you'll benefit from the insights of a Deputy Senior District Judge.

The conference provides an invaluable opportunity to get up to speed on the latest thinking. Supported by comprehensive notes, our expert speakers will take you through all of the important recent developments in criminal practice.

Why attend

- Get the latest on managing vulnerable witnesses
- Interpret what recent judgments mean for your practice
- Hear the perspective from the summary bench
- Be prepared for whatever your case may throw at you
- Benefit from Q&A time with our experts
- Learn, share knowledge and network with fellow criminal practitioners, both prosecution and defence

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9.00 Registration & Coffee

9.30 Chairman's Welcome and Introduction

Matthew Hickling, *Matthew Hickling Training Limited*

9.45 What's Hot in Criminal Practice?

- The latest news, views and analysis of topical issues
- Trends in criminal practice – how they affect you
- Practical effects on advice, decisions and advocacy

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10.30 Working with Outcomes – Indications and Basis of Plea

- The Criminal Practice Direction explained
- What to include – and what not to include
- Prosecutorial approaches to a basis of plea
- Indications, admissibility and precedents

Olwen Davies, *Olwen M Davies Ltd*

11.15 Refreshments

11.30 Managing Vulnerable Witnesses

- What makes a witness vulnerable
- Initial steps – supporting the process
- What's available – and what's not (yet)
- Practical steps for the criminal advocate

Cathy McCulloch, *St Edmund Chambers*

12.15 Newton Hearings – The Theory and the Practice

- Three situations where the possibility arises
- Burden and standard of proof
- “Not gainsaying the defendant's account”
- Credit if you lose – but how much?

Olwen Davies, *Olwen M Davies Ltd*

1.00 Lunch

2.00 A View from the Summary Bench

- Knowing and respecting the rules – why it matters
- Parties and participants – duties and obligations
- Case and trial management – keeping them separate
- Managing default – presenting your case when in need

Deputy Senior District Judge Tan Ikram, *Westminster Magistrates' Court*

3.00 Refreshments

3.15 Self Defence and Other Essentials

- Working with the law – practice and procedure
- Planning your case – analysing the evidence
- Preparing for trial – know your best points
- Top tips for the trial advocate – on your feet

Chloe Ashley, *No5 Chambers*

4.00 Round-up of All the Latest Important Judgments

- What you need to know to stay up-to-date
- Factual summaries to put it all into context
- Judgments analysed – practical effects explained
- How decisions affect decision makers and advocates

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4.45 Chairman's Concluding Remarks and Questions

5.00 Conference Close

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Conference chair

Matthew Hickling, solicitor, is a national speaker and trainer in criminal practice, professional skills and ethics. Now non-practising, Matthew continues to provide analysis and commentary on developments in the criminal law. Matthew has led the assessment regimes for duty solicitors and police station representatives.

Speakers

Chloe Ashley was called to the Bar in 2016. She both prosecutes and defends in serious criminal cases, practising from No5 Chambers in Birmingham. She exceeds the competencies expected of a junior of her call and is noted for the persuasive style of her advocacy. Prior to pupillage Chloe worked abroad in the NGO sector with organisations, including Reprieve and Amicus. She retains a strong interest in matters involving human rights and enjoys looking at the intricacies of complex legal situations, especially when considered alongside the effect of political policies on individual lives.

Olwen Davies was admitted as a solicitor in 1990, obtained Higher Rights (Crime) in 1994, and has prosecuted and defended in the Magistrates' Courts and Crown Court with occasional Court of Appeal hearings. She has taught police officers from probationer to senior investigating officer level, lectured HSE, legal professionals and others, and is co-author of Jordan's *The CJA 2003 - a Practitioner's Guide*. She is the legally-qualified Chair of the Police Misconduct Panel and a deputy District Judge (Magistrates Court).

Tan Ikram is the Deputy Senior District Judge (Chief Magistrate) and sits at Westminster Magistrates' Court. He was admitted as a solicitor in 1993 and appointed a District Judge (MC) in 2009. He also sits as an Associate Judge & Coroner on Her Majesty's Court on the Sovereign Base Areas in Cyprus. He is, additionally, the Deputy Lead Diversity & Community Relations Judge. He is visiting professor in law at the University of West London and has been awarded two honorary degrees,

Doctor of Laws (LLD). He is also a tutor at the Judicial College. Tan is a contributing editor to *Archbold Magistrates' Courts Criminal Practice 2019* and a member of the judicial team on the new edition of *Archbold: Criminal Pleading Evidence and Practice 2019*.

Cathy McCulloch of St Edmund Chambers started her career as a Police Officer. She was called to the Bar in 2002 and is a highly effective and experienced barrister who is in demand nationally, particularly in cases relating to alleged sex offences. She applies the law with a clarity and passion which is both forceful and highly effective. She has particular skill in acting in cases where defendant, complainant or key witnesses are vulnerable or young. She has an active interest in International Criminal Law, and is admitted to the List of Counsel before the International Criminal Court, the Rule 43 List of the UN Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals, and the List of Defence Counsel of the UN Special Tribunal for Lebanon as Lead Counsel.