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This edition of the E-report follows on from the very successful Society's annual dinner held at Armoury House and shortly before the impending General Election.



The annual dinner afforded members of the Society with the opportunity to reflect on the many changes in the profession throughout the last decade or so and what is hoped will be the positive changes after the election whichever party is in Government.

It nevertheless remains the case that as a profession we must stand united and promote the brand of "Solicitor" to ensure that the principles we hold dear are upheld. As your local Society, in the area of Westminster & Holborn, we intend to vigorously represent you but can only do so with your in-put as our membership.

If you have not already renewed your membership of the Society then i would encourage you do so (payment can be made electronically) and, also, please let us know if you would like to join any of our specialist sub-committees. Remember that unless you have a voice how can we raise a concern or complaint. We are stronger by working together.

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Peter Adams
President

London Legal Walk 17th May 2010

The 2010 London Legal Walk will be on

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HELP! MISSING WILL

Mr Maxwell Leaver Brown (21.10.47 - 03.07.08), last known addresses - 7 Riversdale Road, Bournemouth, BH6 4LH and 18 Sutton Way, Hounslow, TW5 0JA, previously of 38 Broadmead, Auriol Road, London, W14 0SS. Mr Brown worked in Westminster and is thought to have employed a Westminster Solicitor. Anyone with information is asked to contact Mr Brown's daughter, Catherine Shorney at catherine.shorney@yahoo.co.uk

Referrals

If you receive an enquiry from a client in an area of law that is not within your practice area then, rather than turn the client away without assistance, why not contact us so that we can put you in touch with another member of the Society who does offer that area of law so that you can sign post the client?

By working together as a profession we are stronger.

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The 2010 London Legal Walk will be on Monday 17th May.

Now in its 6th year, it has got bigger and raised more money every year. Last year, despite the recession, walkers raised a phenomenal £390,000. This year, the London Legal Support Trust expect more walkers than ever and hope to raise even more money.

There's a change of starting point this year, Lincolns Inn Great Hall, setting off about 5.30pm. It's a leisurely 10 km stroll along the river, across the millennium bridge, along the South Bank, across St James's Park and around Green Park and back to Chancery Lane, where Allen & Overy will be offering all walkers a drink for their efforts.

The Westminster and Holborn Walkers will be aiming to raise as much as possible for two main causes: First, Mary Ward Legal Centre, which we've supported for many years. Second, for ACADEUM, the Colombian human rights lawyer's collective, to help them with some of the expenses they will be incurring for our planned return visit to Bogota in August 2010, following our first fact-finding visit in 2008.

You are welcome to join our team of walkers. Just contact us as soon as possible - admin@cwahs.org.uk or jaf.lawsociety@gmail.com.

And please contribute as much as your credit card can bear, by logging on to our justgiving page - <http://www.justgiving.com/city-of-westminster-and-holborn-law-society>

If you'd prefer to send a cheque, just let us know by e-mail and we'll tell you where to send it and how we can reclaim tax on your contribution.

The Legal Walk is a great cause - please support it as generously as you can.

Anglo Dutch Exchange 7th to 10th June 2010

Anglo-Dutch Exchange, 7 - 10 June 2010



Currently in its 48th year, the exchange is a biennial event for young lawyers from England & Wales and The Netherlands, and is alternately hosted by each jurisdiction. The purpose of the Exchange is to promote a greater knowledge of our legal and judicial systems, a better understanding of our commercial and cultural

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understanding of our commercial and cultural environments, and to establish closer links between the two jurisdictions.

The 2010 ADE is being organised jointly by the Junior Lawyers Division of the Law Society and the London Young Lawyers Group (LYLG) and the Young Barristers' Committee (YBC) of the Bar Council. It is one of the long-standing traditions of the ADE that the visiting lawyers have the opportunity to stay in the homes of host lawyers during the week. The LYLG is currently seeking members of the JLD or LYLG who live in London who would be willing to provide a visiting Dutch lawyer(s) with 'bed and breakfast' accommodation for the duration of the Exchange.

During the exchange

The Dutch lawyers will arrive in London in the early evening of Monday 7 June and will leave on Friday 11 June. Hosts will be asked to provide accommodation for 1 person or 2 sharing, for 4 nights from 7 to 10 June inclusive. The ADE will offer the visiting lawyers a busy programme of seminars, lectures and visits during their stay, with some evening events as well, so there will be no obligation to arrange any further activities for your visitor. However, you will be invited to take part in some of the evening activities, if you would like to do so, starting with a Welcome Reception on the evening of 7 June at which you will meet your visitor, a networking and social evening on Tuesday 8 June and concluding with a Farewell Dinner on 10 June.

Experience has shown that the Exchange provides lawyers from both sides of our profession with an ideal opportunity to network with each other and with their Dutch counterparts in a friendly and informal atmosphere.

Get involved

If you would be able to act as a host for the 2010 Exchange, or if you would like further information about what is involved, please contact Annalisa Checchi, JLD Executive Committee by email at:
a.v.checchi@gmail.com <<mailto:a.v.checchi@gmail.com>>.

The Legal Charity Garden Party 9th June 2010

The Garden Party will take place in Lincoln's Inn Fields on 9th June 2010. The Garden Party offers an opportunity to network in a relaxed atmosphere with other members of the legal profession whilst enjoying a glass of bubbly and listening to the energetic music. Tickets are on sale now for £12 and can be purchased from the Society by e-mailing us at admin@cwahs.org.uk.



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For details of further events go to:

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International

CARAVANA COLOMBIA LAWYERS GROUP 2010 BRIEFING SESSIONS



A series of monthly briefings are being run by the Colombian Caravana to enable delegates to familiarise themselves with the Colombian Context and issues relating to lawyer's work in Colombia.

The briefing sessions have been awarded CPD accreditation. They will be held at 6pm on the last Thursday of each month at the offices of Bishop & Sewell, 46 Bedford Square, London, WC1B 3DP.

The dates and topics are as follows: -

27th May : Peace Brigade International: Protection of human rights defenders

24th June : UN Mission, EU Mission and the International Bar Association in Colombia

29th July : FCO and ABColombia: current context briefing.

To attend any of the above or for further information then please contact Nikki Evans at the following: -

contact colombian.caravana@googlemail.com.

LINKS WITH OTHER BARS...

You work in one of the leading legal centre's in the world and may undertake legal work that has an international dimension. You may also want to get involved in projects championing pro bono and access to justice. Your Society has developed links with leading european bar associations and is at the forefront of projects: -

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Consultation Responses



The aftermath of a General Election typically causes Government to cast a beady eye over legislation, regulation and how the country runs. The Society benefits from a vibrant Law Reform sub-committee who are looking forward to tackling the anticipated consultations that may affect our profession. We would encourage you to visit our website page that sets out responses to past consultations and, if you are interested in participating in responding to current consultations then why not e-mail us so that we may put you in touch with the expert team.

www.cwhls.org.uk/consul.php

Your Society Needs YOU!

The Society covers the geographical area of Westminster & Holborn, including Parliament, the Royal Courts of Justice, and government buildings. As a profession we are facing change on a daily basis that has the potential to have



both a positive and a negative affect upon our profession and how we serve our client's. This Society is well placed to respond to consultations that may bring about the change but we can only do so with your input and support. Why not visit our website to join up now by downloading and returning to us an application form for membership.

As a member of the Society you will have a say in what we do on your behalf in responding to consultations, responding to legislation that may affect what we do, playing a role in international theatres, access to CPD accredited seminars and becoming involved in professional

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Opening for Sub-committee membership

The Society currently offers an exciting opportunity for membership of the following specialist committees: -

- a) Education & Training
- b) Litigation

For further information please e-mail admin@cwahs.org.uk

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Forthcoming Events

May

Monday, 17th May 2010

London Legal Walk

<http://www.justgiving.com/city-of-westminster-and-holborn-law-society>

Thursday 27th May 2010

Colombia Briefing session

Peace Brigade International: Protection of human rights defenders

contact colombian.caravana@googlemail.com.

June

Monday 7th to Thursday 10th June 2010

Anglo Dutch Legal Exchange

a.v.hecchi@gmail.com

Tuesday, 8th June 2010

Seminar

http://www.cwahs.org.uk/data/events/aon_10.pdf

Wednesday, 9th June 2010

Legal Charities Garden Party

admin@cwahs.org.uk Tickets £12.00 before the event

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Thursday, 24th June 2010

Colombia Briefing session

UN Mission, EU Mission and the International Bar Association in Colombia

contact colombian.caravana@googlemail.com.

July

Monday, 5th July 2010

AON Professional Indemnity Insurance Seminar

Thursday, 29th July 2010

Colombia Briefing Session

FCO and ABColombia: current context briefing.

contact colombian.caravana@googlemail.com.

September

Sat 18th or Sun 19th September, 2010

The Society will be holding an event on the 18th or 19th September, from 11am to 17.00, aboard the SS Shieldhall that is a steamship based in Southampton. The day will consist of a leisurely steam out into local waters. Southampton is easily accessed by the main line from Waterloo to Southampton or a short journey on the motorway. Further details will follow but for those that may be interested to know more about this fabulous vessel please visit the website www.ss-shieldhall.co.uk.

October

Tuesday, 19th October 2010

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Venue: TBC

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Middlesex Law Society

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