



**PROPERTY  
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# **2012 Annual Conference and Dinner**

to be held at

## **Keble College, Oxford**

on

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> & Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

*2012*

The 2012 Annual Conference and Dinner will be held at Keble College, Oxford on 22 & 23 March 2012.

## THE CONFERENCE PROGRAMME (Friday) (5½ CPD points)

9.10	<i>Chairman's Opening Remarks</i>	Paul Greatholder
<b>9.15 – 9.45</b>	<b>President's Address</b>	<b>Master of the Rolls</b>
<b>9.45 – 10.45</b>	<b>Topical Issues in Rent Review</b>	<b>Nicholas Dowding QC</b> <i>Falcon Chambers</i> <b>Torquil Gyngell FRICS</b> <i>HNG</i>
10.45	<i>Mid-Morning Break</i>	
<b>11.10 – 11.50</b>	<b>Case Law Kaleidoscope (Focussing on the Top 10)</b>	<b>Zia Bhaloo QC</b> <i>Enterprise Chambers</i>
<b>11.50 – 12.10</b>	<b>Construction Law for Property Litigators</b>	<b>Paul Darling QC</b> <i>Keating Chambers</i>
<b>12.10 – 1.00</b>	<b>Multiple-Choice Topics:</b>  <b>CVAs and Pre-pack Administrations</b>  <b>Social Media: Can Pleasure be Good Business?</b>  <b>Easements</b>  <b>Residential Tenancy Update</b>	<b>Marcia Shekerdemian</b> <i>11 Stone Buildings</i>  <i>Speaker TBC</i>  <b>Gary Blaker</b> <i>Selborne Chambers</i>  <b>Amanda Gourlay</b> <i>Tanfield Chambers</i>
1.00	<i>Lunch In Hall</i>	
<b>1.50 – 2.30</b>	<b>Break Options</b>	<b>John Male QC</b> <i>Landmark Chambers</i>
<b>2.30 – 3.10</b>	<b>The Benefits of Using the TCC</b>	<b>HHJ Coulson</b> <i>Tech &amp; Construction Court</i>
<b>3.10 – 4.00</b>	<b>Ten Judgments to Attack</b>	<b>Jonathan Seitler QC</b> <i>Wilberforce Chambers</i>
4.00	<i>Close and disperse</i>	

*Timings and running order may alter*

**The event generally will follow the usual overall format of arrival during the Thursday afternoon in time for the evening's festivities, overnight stay and the Conference itself all day on the Friday until 4 pm. (*Timings have been brought forward in order to get everyone away a little earlier this year.*)**

**The Education Committee has put together another top-class Conference programme full of variety, interest and enjoyment.**

**The popular multi-choice session, which caters for a range of tastes and interests, again features in the programme.**

**(You will select a topic to attend when the Conference instruction packs are sent out at a later date.)**

**Keble College remains as the venue, as it is the only venue of its type large enough to take the PLA i.e. with sufficient dining, accommodation and auditorium capacity all “under one roof”.**

**Once again there are a limited number of places available to those who wish to arrange their own accommodation or who wish to attend only the Reception and Dinner on the Thursday evening. (*See below for details.*)**

**The Conference and Dinner is the Association's principal Spring event. The continuing strong attendances at the PLA events, even in tough times, clearly demonstrate that:**

- **The programmes are entirely focussed on the needs and interests of property litigators**
- **They are socially enjoyable and a great opportunity to meet up with fellow members**
- **They are excellent value for money**

**Attendance at the Conference is limited to 235. So do not delay in booking your place.**

**(See Booking Instructions below.)**

# Summary of Overall Programme

<p><b><u>Thursday</u></b> <b><u>22<sup>nd</sup></u></b> <b><u>March</u></b></p>	<p><i>(Optional)</i></p> <p><b>6.30 pm</b></p> <p><b>Overnight</b></p>	<p><i>Registration open from noon for early arrival, deposit of luggage, and private recreation.</i></p> <p><b>Champagne Reception</b> in the University Natural History Museum followed by <b>Black Tie Dinner</b> in Hall.</p> <p><b>Accommodation in College</b></p>
<p><b><u>Friday</u></b> <b><u>23<sup>rd</sup></u></b> <b><u>March</u></b></p>	<p><b>8 am</b></p> <p><b>9 am</b></p> <p><b>4 pm</b></p>	<p><b>Breakfast in Hall</b></p> <p><b>Assemble for Conference</b></p> <p><b>Venue: College Conference Centre</b></p> <p><b>Focussed programme in 8 sessions</b></p> <p><b>5½ CPD points awarded</b></p> <p><b>Mid-morning refreshments &amp; lunch in Hall</b></p> <p><b>Disperse</b></p>

## Cost

The attendance fee is unchanged for a third consecutive year

**£395 + VAT**

This includes

Champagne Reception  
 Formal Dinner and wines  
 Free bar after dinner  
     for still wines, beer and soft drinks  
 Overnight accommodation  
 All other meals and refreshments  
 Conference papers  
 Courtesy transport

**There is absolutely nothing further to pay**

*(unless you choose to drink champagne or spirits in the Bar!)*

20 places @ **£330 + VAT** are available for those that wish to arrange their own accommodation.

20 places @ **£100 + VAT** are available (but limited to 2 places per firm) to those that wish to attend only the Reception and Dinner on Thursday 22 March.

## Attendance restrictions

Attendance at the Conference is limited to 235 delegates.

Attendance is restricted to **PLA members only**. Applications to attend from current non-members will be accepted and processed but on the condition that they have been accepted as members **by the date of the Conference**.

## Administrative Arrangements

- Travel

By rail to Oxford Station and then by taxi to the College.

By car to secure parking at nearby St Edward's School and shuttle minibus to College (provided free).

At the end of the Conference, free coach transport to St Edward's School and to the rail station.

- Accommodation

In College

The majority of rooms are en-suite and will be filled in the order that bookings are received.

Some delegates who book late may be accommodated in another College nearby.

A limited number of places without accommodation are available. (See *above*)

## Booking Instructions

Please book places through TPS, the Conference Organiser (and not Mary Block)

Use the booking form on the separate attachment [2012confbooking.doc](#)

Contact details for TPS are shown at the foot of the booking form.

- Either
1. Fill in the form on screen and then "Forward" this complete message by email to TPS
- Or
2. Print off the form and fill it in before sending it to TPS by letter post or FAX
- Or
3. Telephone TPS with your requirement and confirm in writing within 7 days