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CONVEYANCING - WHAT HAPPENED IN 2018?

Kenneth Reid, Professor of Scots Law, University of Edinburgh
George Gretton, Lord President Reid Professor of Law Emeritus, University of Edinburgh

For the twenty-eighth successive year, Professor Kenneth Reid and Professor George Gretton will be giving a comprehensive and indispensable review of the cases and statutory developments during the past 12 months which affect conveyancing law and practice. Chaired by Alan Barr, Partner, Brodies LLP/University of Edinburgh.

In 2018 the Supreme Court limited the liability of borrowers' solicitors to lenders by holding that there was no liability where a bank mistakenly discharged a standard security on the basis of erroneous information from the borrower's solicitor. The Keeper's warranty was litigated for the first time. Among the cases about missives were decisions on negative prescription, implied terms, and non-supersession clauses. There was significant authority, including from the Inner House, on public access rights under the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003. The Lands Tribunal considered the continuing enforceability of feudal real burdens, as well as determining a range of applications for variation and discharge of title conditions. There was authority on whether a title to land was truly held on trust. Other matters to attract the attention of the courts included break notices in leases, pre-emptions, the interpretation of servitudes, the problem of overlapping titles on the Land Register, the liability of searchers for failing to pick up an inhibition, and judicial rectification. In what was generally a thin year for legislation, the Scottish Government released its proposals for the creation of a new Register of Persons Holding a Controlled Interest in Land. All these and other developments in the law will be discussed and evaluated. A substantial set of materials will give the full text of the talks, and will also list and summarise all cases and statutory material from 2018. As in previous years, each delegate will receive a copy of the revised materials when published in book form by Avizandum Publishing Ltd in spring 2019.

INVERNESS: **MON 21 JAN. 6-8PM K2801**

ABERDEEN: **TUE 22 JAN. 1-3PM. K2802**

DUNDEE: **TUE 22 JAN. 6-8PM. K2803**

DUMFRIES: **TUE 29 JAN. 12.15-2.15PM. K2804**

GLASGOW: **TUE 29 JAN. 6-8PM. K2805**

EDINBURGH: **WED 30 JAN. 6-8PM. K2806**

PERTH: **MON 4 FEB. 6-8PM. K2807**

ESTATE PLANNING AND TAX: WILLS TRUSTS AND EXECUTRIES

Alan Barr Partner, Partner, Brodies LLP/Honorary Fellow, University of Edinburgh
Sandra Eden, Senior Lecturer in Private Law, University of Edinburgh

In their continuing attempts to avoid becoming the subjects of estate planning exercises, Alan Barr and Sandra Eden return to present the next version of this important annual seminar. Once more they will cover legal and tax developments in relation to death, trusts, gifts and other private client concerns. Their own coffin-dodging allows them to deal with the miseries that life and death throws at us and our clients. We are now well into the first year of differentiated Scottish income tax, while those taxes remaining with Westminster continue to throw up problems and opportunities. IHT, CGT and relevant income tax will be covered, from the courts as well as the Parliaments. The Scottish courts have, as usual, contributed with important cases on executries, trusts, professional practice and related matters. This seminar will review statute and case law, as well as other material. It is a vital review (with a touch of preview) for anyone working in this area – comprehensive coverage with some detailed materials, delivered with a light touch. Be there or be dead (professionally at least).

INVERNESS: **TUES 19 FEB. 6-8PM K2811**

ABERDEEN: **WED 20 FEB. 1-3PM K2812**

DUNDEE: **WED 20 FEB. 6-8PM K2813**

DUMFRIES: **TUE 26 FEB. 12.15-2.15PM K2814**

GLASGOW: **TUE 26 FEB. 6-8PM K2815**

EDINBURGH: **WED 27 FEB. 6-8PM K2816**

PERTH: **TUE 5 MAR. 6-8PM K2817**

FAMILY LAW UPDATE

Gillian Black, Senior Lecturer in Family Law, University of Edinburgh
Alison Edmondson, Director, SKO Family Law Specialists

Now in its third year, the Family Law Update will provide comprehensive coverage of key cases and statutory developments in family law between April 2018 and April 2019. Dr Gillian Black and Alison Edmondson will cover core family law topics, including financial provision on divorce, cohabitation, contact and residence, and child protection measures. As well as analysis and commentary on all significant judicial developments in the 12 months to April 2019, the material will also include updates on key statutory developments, such as the named persons scheme and data sharing, and the implementation of the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act. Key developments from England will also be covered, as will the unfolding consequences of Brexit, post-March 2019. Presented by two experts in this area of law, the seminar will include a comprehensive set of materials and the opportunity for questions and discussion.

DUMFRIES: **WED 1 MAY 12.15-2.15PM K2820**

GLASGOW: **WED 1 MAY 6-8PM K2821**

PERTH: **WED 22 MAY 1-3PM K2822**

EDINBURGH: **WED 22 MAY 6-8PM K2823**

CONTRACT LAW UPDATE

Laura Macgregor, Professor of Commercial Contract Law, University of Edinburgh
Denis Garrity, Advocate, Terra Firma Chambers, Edinburgh

Contract law lies at the core of the work solicitors carry out on a day-to-day basis. Whether a solicitor is involved in the negotiation, drafting and formation of contracts, or advises in relation to remedies for breach, he or she needs to be aware of important recent developments. Our Contract Law Update provides a comprehensive overview of all important developments in the law of contract over the last year. The presenters are experts in their field, combining academic depth with practical insight. This seminar covers: all major decisions in Scotland in 2018/19; significant cases from England in 2018/19; important statutory developments; and upcoming legal reforms to be aware of. Key issues covered include the law of formation, interpretation, implication, and the interaction of different remedies for breach of contract. Developments are placed in context, so that trends or new directions in the law can be understood. All delegates receive a substantial set of materials providing thorough notes on all cases and statutory developments – an indispensable update to your contract law resources.

ABERDEEN: **THUR 9 MAY 1-3PM K2826**

GLASGOW: **TUE 14 MAY 6-8PM K2827**

EDINBURGH: **THUR 16 MAY 6-8PM K2828**

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