

**RETHINKING REGULATION**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF LEGAL REGULATORS, 8-9 JULY 2014, LONDON**

Venue: Gray's Inn, High Holborn, London

**Tuesday 8 July**

9.00 – 9.15

Welcome

9.15 – 10.45

**Session 1: Re-engineering regulation**

This session will open with input from jurisdictions that have been recently re-examining why and how they regulate the legal services market. We'll take stock of challenges encountered, benefits experienced and lessons learned.

Chair: Darrel Pink, CEO, Nova Scotia Barristers Society

Contributors:

Paul Philip, Solicitors Regulation Authority, England and Wales

Joan Janssen, Ministry of Law, Singapore

10.45 – 11.15

Coffee Break

11.15 – 12.45

**Session 2: Education and training – does the recipe matter if the food tastes good?**

This session will look at the common questions that many jurisdictions are considering at present in relation to the education and training of future legal practitioners.

Chair: Julie Brannan, Director of Education and Training, Solicitors Regulation Authority

Contributors:

Liz Campbell, Director of Education and Training, Law Society of Scotland

Stephen Hung, Vice President, Hong Kong Law Society

John Berry, Director of Legal Services Division, Florida Bar

12.45 – 14.00

Lunch

14.00 – 15.30

**Session 3: Controlling the cost of regulation**

The costs of intervention and bringing disciplinary cases can easily get out of control. This session will look at the tools and approaches that regulators can use to manage limited resources, including staffing models, ADR and file retention policies.

Chair: John Elliot, Director of Regulation, Law Society of Ireland

Contributors:

Chris Kenny, Chief Executive, Legal Services Board, England and Wales

Robert Hawley, Deputy Executive Director, State Bar of California

15.30 – 16.00

Tea Break

**Session 4: Multi-Disciplinary Practice**

Chair: Deb Armour, Chief Legal Officer, Law Society of British Columbia

16.00 – 16.45

This session will look at the particular challenges of MDPs. How can co-regulation work in practice?

Contributors:

Crispin Passmore, Executive Director of Policy, Solicitors Regulation Authority  
Leon Flavell, Pricewaterhouse Legal LLP  
Niels Hupkes, Head of Supervision and Regulatory Affairs, Nederlandse Orden van Advocaten

**Session 5: Can we nudge lawyers into compliance?**

Chair: Vanessa Davies, Director, Bar Standards Board, England and Wales

16.45 -18.00

This session will provide an insight into the use of behavioural economics techniques in regulation as a means of improving compliance.

Contributors

Christine Grice, Executive Director, New Zealand Law Society  
Professor Richard Moorhead, Professor of Law and Professional Ethics, University College London

18.30 – 21.00

Conference Reception

Tom's Terrace, Somerset House

## Wednesday 9 July

9.00 – 10.30

### **Session 5: Should lawyers be allowed near client money?**

This session will consider the scope for a radical rethink of accounts rules – can they be stripped back to what really matters? Or should we be revisiting the question of whether all lawyers should be entitled to hold client money simply by virtue of their legal title on qualification?

Chair: Jerry Larkin, Attorneys Disciplinary Commission, Illinois

Contributors:

Gloria Lim, Ministry of Law, Singapore  
Motlatsi Molefe, CEO, Attorneys Fidelity Fund, South Africa  
Richard Collins, Executive Director of Strategic Planning and Performance, Solicitors Regulation Authority, England and Wales

10.30 – 11.00

Coffee Break

11.00 -12.30

### **Session 6: Non-lawyers**

Is non-lawyer ownership and involvement in legal services becoming more common? - An update on experience from around the world. And is there any evidence yet from jurisdictions where non-lawyers can be involved in the provision of legal services that markets are changing as a result?

Chair: Zeynep Onen, Director of Regulation, Law Society of Upper Canada

Contributors:

Robert Cross, Research Project Manager, Legal Services Board  
Konstantinos Tomaras, DG Internal Market, European Commission  
John Kunzler, Head of Financial and Professional Risks, Marsh  
Philip Yelland, Director of Regulation, Law Society of Scotland

12.30 – 13.30

Lunch

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### **Session 7: Playing cross-border catch-up**

Cross-border practice by lawyers is growing exponentially and regulators are playing catch-up. This session will address how lawyers are seeking to meet the demands of their clients and what challenges they

Chair: Gene Shipp, Office of Bar Council, Washington DC

Panellists:

Martin Coleman, Norton Rose Fulbright LLP and SRA Board member  
Greg Mize, Conference of Chief Justices,  
Pranav Trivedi, Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom (UK) LLP, London

face in structuring their firms or dealing with differences in rules. We will also look at what structural challenges exist for regulators, as well as the practical challenges in disciplining lawyers practising cross-jurisdictionally. We will aim to draw a checklist of issues from the session together with some action points for future cooperation.

14.45– 15.45

**Session 8: Keeping up with the challenges of technology**

The impact of technology on legal practice, the challenges it poses for regulators and the opportunities it presents – a whistle stop tour guided by industry experts.

Chair: Andrew Garbutt, Director of Risk, Solicitors Regulation Authority, England and Wales

Contributors:

Jonathan Goldsmith, Secretary General, Council of European Bars and Law Societies, Brussels  
Tim Prior, PNCR Legal  
Timothy Hill, Technology Adviser, Law Society of England and Wales  
Arlene Adams, CEO Peppermint Technology

15.45 – 16.15

Tea Break

16.15 – 17.30

**Session 9: Death and taxes - What certainties exist for regulators?**

What are the coming challenges for legal regulators over the next few years; and what might be the 'unknown, unknowns' for the sector. How can we better share ideas and research and work together in future?

Facilitated by Steve Mark and Tahlia Gordon, Creative Consequences

19.00 – 22.00

Conference Dinner

The Bleeding Heart Tavern