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Newsletter

Spring Newsletter 2019



Welcome to the 5th edition of the Park Square Barristers Newsletter.

We have had a very busy start to 2019 and this newsletter will give you an overview and the headlines of what has been going on in Chambers.

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Caroline Wigin appointed to the Circuit Bench

We are delighted to announce that Caroline Wigin has been appointed as a Circuit Judge.

HHJ Wigin will sit on the South Eastern Circuit at St Albans Crown Court. To view the article, please [click here](#).



Wellbeing
at the Bar

PSQB Well-being programme underway

Park Square Barristers has launched its Well-being programme with a host of initiatives to promote a supportive and positive working environment for its barristers and staff.

The programme is backed by a policy of education and support including access to a therapist via a hotline, mindfulness mentoring and lots of events for chambers members and staff to socialise.



Park Square Barristers - Roundhay Parkrun

More than 30 barristers turned out in the spring sun on Saturday 23rd March to take part or to support the 436 runners in the Roundhay Park Parkrun.

PSQB sponsored the event as part of its Wellbeing programme.



Tenancy confirmed for Joseph Bairstow

We are delighted to announce that **Joseph Bairstow** has successfully completed his pupillage and the Management Board have unanimously approved his tenancy as a member of Park Square Barristers.

Joseph has undertaken a common law pupillage under the pupil supervision of **Chris Moran**.



Civil

Deputy District Judge Appointments for Judy Dawson, Adam Rhys-Davis and Camilla Buck (part-time)

The Lord Chief Justice's offer of appointment was recently confirmed and all three will now commence their sitting in, training and, subsequently their judicial sitting.

Judy Dawson and **Camilla Buck** will sit on the North Eastern Circuit – and **Adam Rhys-Davies** will sit on the Wales Circuit.

Please [click here](#) for the news article.

Inheritance Act Article by David Rose

David Rose discusses the efficacy of limitation “Standstill Agreements” in relation to claims under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependents) Act 1975 which has been cast into doubt by a recent High Court decision.

Please [click here](#) for the news article.

Judy Dawson Civil Fraud Article

Judy Dawson analyses the importance of the decision and stance The Supreme Court is taking against fraud.

The Supreme Court again overturns the Court of Appeal’s priority of the finality principle over the principle that fraud unravels all.

To view the article, please [click here](#).



Crime

Julian Jones joins Park Square Barristers

We are delighted to announce and welcome the arrival of Julian Jones to our

Criminal and Regulatory Teams.

Julian specialises in serious and complex criminal matters – and he has a mixed prosecution and defence practice.

Shoreham Air Crash acquittal

PSQB Door tenant, [Stephen Spence](#) was the defence junior on the case where the pilot of the jet crashed at the Shoreham Air show killing 11 men. He was found not guilty of manslaughter by gross negligence at the Old Bailey. For media coverage, please [click here](#).

Bradford Grooming Trial – 9 defendants convicted following 2 month trial

[Kama Melly QC](#) led the prosecution CPS team in convicting nine men who raped and abused two teenage girls who were living in a children's home.

The case has received national media coverage ([click here](#) to view) and the current Director of Public Prosecutions, Max Hill QC, tweeted his thanks and congratulations to the prosecution team ([click here](#) to view).

Gill Batts secures only Grooming defendant acquittal

Yasar Majid was found not guilty of rape after a 7 week trial at Bradford Crown Court. All other 9 defendants were convicted.

[Click here](#) for media coverage.

PSQB Criminal Team client event in Bradford

Park Square Barristers Criminal Team owes its ongoing success to the support of many local solicitors.

To recognise this and to say thank you, we hosted a social event at the Mumtaz restaurant in Bradford.

Similar events in other areas on Circuit are planned in 2019.



Regulatory & Public

16 members appointed to the Specialist Regulatory Panel.

Chambers are delighted to announce that no fewer than 16 of its members have been appointed to the Specialist Regulatory Panel.

Craig Hassall, Howard Shaw, Robert Stevenson, Nadim Bashir, Tom Gent, Laura Addy, Simon Clegg, Kirsten Mercer, Anna Wilkinson, Tim Jacobs, Kate Batty, Giles Grant, Ben Thomas, Thomas Stanway, Andrea Parnham and Holly Clegg will all be able to prosecute on behalf of The Health & Safety Executive, Environment Agency, Care Quality Commission, Office for Nuclear Regulation, Office of Rail and Road and Natural Resources Wales.

3 First Tier Tribunal Judges appointments (part-time)

Craig Hassall, Simon Clegg and Kate Bisset have all accepted the Senior President's offer of appointment to sit (part-time).

Craig Hassall will sit in the Health, Education & Social Care Chamber and is authorised to undertake judicial work involving Mental Health.

Simon Clegg will sit in the Immigration and Asylum Chamber.

Kate Bisset will sit in the Health, Education & Social Care Chamber and is authorised to undertake judicial work involving Special Educational Needs and Disability.

These outstanding achievements are indicative of the **Regulatory & Public Law teams'** unrivalled expertise on the North Eastern Circuit.

The teams' strength lies in the breadth and depth of knowledge of cases involving a wide range of prosecution authorities. Our members bring a unique perspective to cases that transcend more than one area.

Following on from the very successful 'Introduction to Inquests' seminar held in February, our forthcoming seminars are:

- Regulatory Law Update / Review
- Inquests touching the deaths of vulnerable people (Mental health & Deprivation of Liberty)
- Inquests involving deaths in the workplace & Industrial disease.
- An Introduction to Article 2. Deaths in custody.
- Regulation 28 and case law update.
- Regulatory Law Update / Review

Dates and further details to be announced shortly.



Family

Martin Todd joins Park Square Barristers

The family team were delighted to announce that **Martin Todd** has joined Park Square Barristers. Martin was called to the Bar in 1991 and since then has established himself as one of the Leading Family practitioners on the North Eastern Circuit.

Martin holds rankings in the 2019 editions of The Legal 500 and Chambers & Partners for Family and Children Law.

Public Law Seminar

On 12.3.19 **Catharine Mason** and **Ayesha Megyery** presented a very well received seminar on updates in public law. On 14.5.19 Emily Reed and Anam Riaz will be presenting a seminar on updates to private law children matters.

William Lindsay guest lectured

In February 2019 **William Lindsay** participated as a guest lecturer in the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health's training event Child Protection: Examination to Court.

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