

# Property Conference

Thursday, 24th October 2013

Bristol Law Society hosts its Annual Property Conference, focusing on hot topics in property law and practice.



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9.15 am - 4.30 pm

**Veale Wasbrough Vizards, Orchard Lane, Bristol**

## Cost

£100 + VAT members  
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## CPD

5.5 hours

## Accreditation

BSB and SRA

8.30 - 9.15 am	<b>Registration and welcome drinks</b>
9.15 - 9.30 am	<b>Welcome and introductions from Chair, followed by Connect Law</b> <i>Becky Moyce, Partner, Temple Bright LLP</i>
9.30 - 10.15 am	<b>Proprietary estoppel and remedies</b> <i>Philip Jenkins, Barrister, St John's Chambers</i>
10.15 - 11.00 am	<b>Service charges in residential leases</b> <i>Michael Selway, Barrister, Guildhall Chambers</i>
11.00 - 11.15 am	<b>Refreshments</b>
11.15 - 12.00 pm	<b>Capital allowances</b> <i>David Rees, David Rees and Co</i>
12.00 - 12.20 pm	<b>A legal perspective on residential and commercial property title insurance claims</b> <i>Oliver Bate, General Counsel, FTI Legal &amp; Claims</i>
12.20 - 1.00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1.00 - 1.20 pm	<b>Sewer adoptions – an update</b> <i>Zoe Dobson, Wessex Searches &amp; Business Development Manager, Wessex Searches</i>
1.20 - 1.50 pm	<b>Right to Light, property development - should we be legislating?</b> <i>Robert Owen, Associate Head of Department (Research &amp; Business Engagement), Bristol Law School</i>
1.50 - 2.35 pm	<b>Property notices; who when and what to serve?</b> <i>John Sharples, Barrister, St John's Chambers</i>
2.35 - 3.00 pm	<b>Breakout session</b>
3.00 - 3.15 pm	<b>Refreshments</b>
3.15 - 4.00 pm	<b>Harry Houdini and restrictive covenants – the procedure to discharge or modify restrictive covenants</b> <i>Malcolm Warner, Barrister, Guildhall Chambers</i>
4.00 - 4.15 pm	<b>Breakout session</b>
4.15 - 4.30 pm	<b>Conclusions followed by drinks at Colston Hall Bar</b>

**Philip Jenkins, Call 2003**  
**St John's Chambers**

Philip's practice embraces the full range of chancery and related commercial fields and his time is divided between advising, drafting and litigating. The areas of specialism



in which he regularly receives instructions are all aspects of real property including conveyancing and registration; restrictive covenants; easements; customary rights; adverse possession; boundary disputes; co-ownership; estoppel; mortgages and charges. He also has experience in commercial landlord and tenant matters including renewals; rent reviews; surrender; forfeiture and dilapidations. Other work includes residential landlord and tenant matters.

**Michael Selway, Call 2007**  
**Guildhall Chambers**

Michael Selway practises in property law and commercial law, and deals with a wide range of cases in these fields, including cases with an element of insolvency



law. In the property law field, he undertakes both court work and advisory and drafting work in the areas of real property, landlord and tenant, mortgages and other land-related disputes, as well as matters involving wills, probate and inheritance. Michael's real property work includes rights of way and other easements, boundary disputes and beneficial interest claims. His landlord and tenant work encompasses residential and commercial property matters including possession hearings, as well as social housing matters including antisocial behaviour injunction and contempt hearings. His other work includes mortgage possession claims and Inheritance Act claims. He appears in the High Court and county courts, as well as before various other tribunals. He practises mainly in the South West and South Wales, but also often attends hearings in London and elsewhere.

**David Rees BSc FRICS**

David Rees is principal of DavidRees.Co - providing consultancy services on Capital Allowances tax reliefs. He first worked for well-known Capital Allowances specialists Crosher & James in the late 1990's before their merger with Davis



Langdon, for whom he ran their southern region for twelve years, dealing with plant & machinery claims totalling almost £450m. David is a regular conference speaker and contributor to journals. He has taken a particular interest in the linkage of tax reliefs to energy performance in buildings and chaired a group advising the British Property Federation on fiscal incentives in relation to the Green Deal.

**Oliver Bate, General Counsel,**  
**FTI Legal & Claims**

Oliver joined First Title in May 2010 having previously worked in the City as a real estate litigator in one of the country's leading law firms, where he acted



on behalf of many of the UK's largest commercial landowners, developers and investors on a full range of contentious property matters. He runs the Legal team at First Title and his remit includes formalising contractual arrangements between the First Title group of companies and its commercial partners, advising on and documenting the legal framework of major new business opportunities, and dealing with complex residential and commercial property title claims.

## Your presenters

### Robert Owen, Bristol Law School

Robert has spent 25 years in private practice in the City of London specialising in property law; principally property development (including regeneration) and commercial property leasing. He was a full equity partner in a Legal 500 firm. Robert was on the in-house legal team at University of Bristol for 5 years doing property and commercial work including public procurement. He also has 12 years' experience teaching the Legal Practice Course and am an external examiner for the Solicitors' Regulation Authority. His bespoke commercial property course for practising lawyers was a Regional Winner SW in the National Training Awards 2006 and has led to the development of the BILP LLM; a practice orientated research programme for LPC and BPTC graduates.



### Zoe Dobson, Wessex Searches & Business Development Manager

Zoe has over 10 years' experience within the Water Industry, the last 6 having been with Wessex Searches. Under Zoe's management over the last 2 years, Wessex Searches has seen rapid growth as a national search provider, with the core product of the CON29DW being just one of a number of products and services available. Zoe is a representative on the Water Industry Property Information Network (WIPIN), playing a key part in ensuring the Law Society CON29DW Drainage and Water Enquiry is of the highest quality.



### John Sharples, Call 1992 St John's Chambers

John specialises in all areas of real property. He is frequently instructed on behalf of major land developers and owners, national house builders and large public authorities as well as private clients. John has written a book on Land Licences, printed by Jordans Publishing in which Lord Neuberger, the Master of the Rolls, writes the foreword. "The 'very experienced' John specialises in all areas of real property. He brings superior technical knowledge to each case he handles and is the author of the legal text 'Land Licences'. Sources praise him for the fact that 'he will always fight the client's corner.'" Chambers UK, Real Estate Litigation (2013).



### Malcolm Warner, Call 1979 Guildhall Chambers

Malcolm maintains a traditional chancery practice and consequently deals with all areas of property including; options, mortgages, rights of way, boundary disputes, commercial landlord and tenant, covenants, easements, wills and inheritance. Malcolm combines this with a practice in more commercial matters including partnership, professional negligence, contractual disputes and some corporate work. Solicitors find Malcolm approachable and year after year return to Malcolm to have him render assistance to their valued clients. The quality of his advocacy, advice and client care is spoken for by these repeat instructions, often for the High Court and Court of Appeal but also in tribunals and the County Court. Frequently Malcolm is sought out for multi-stranded disputes or ones involving significant financial or client care issues. Chambers UK 2012 say that clients "love traditional chancery practitioner Malcolm Warner" and his 'steadfast' advocacy. Commentators admire his ability to "paint the big picture in court - he sets out his case clearly." In more adversarial situations, he is "a terrier who never lets go once he's got his teeth in."



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