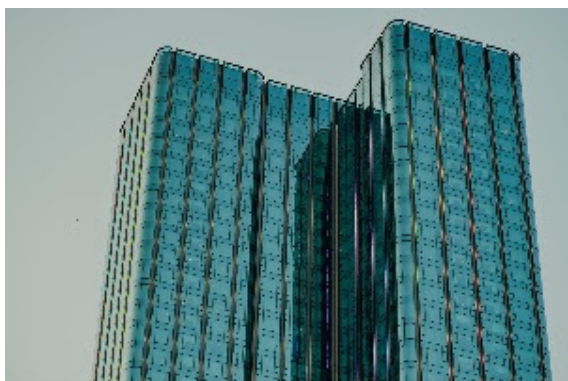


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Conference News

"I thoroughly enjoyed the conference and thought the content was highly engaging and well put together".

Another very successful and enjoyable Conference was held at Keble College, Oxford in March.

You can find all the **Conference papers** by clicking [here](#).



Event / East Anglia

Join the **East Anglia PLA** at their training event with [Caroline Shea QC](#), [Anthony Tanney](#) and [Toby Boncey](#) from **Falcon Chambers** on

Blogs

Bryan Johnston, PLA Chair, reflects on the 2019 PLA

Tuesday 30 April 4.30pm at
Penningtons Manches, Cambridge.

Click [here](#) for more information and to book



Event / Summer Party

The **PLA Summer Party** will be at Apothecaries Hall on **Thursday 27 June** and we are delighted the PBA will be joining us again this year. The reception will be from 6-9.30pm during which drinks and canapés will be served. Free for members.

Registration now open - to book, click [here](#).



Event / JPLA

After the success of last year's event, the **South West & South**

Conference and talks about the three themes he elaborated on in his speech: relevance, revolution and relationships.

[Read more](#)

News / Law Reform

PLA Law Reform Committee are requesting members feedback on **Capped Costs Pilot: PD 51W**. Click [here](#) for more information.

There is a **Chancery Users Group** meeting on **16 May 2019** and the Law Reform Committee would like to hear from members about their recent experiences of the Chancery List at Central London and also Central London Court more generally. Click [here](#) for more information.

The **Pre-action Protocol for Debt Claims** came into force on 1 October 2017 and the Law Reform Committee would like to review how this is working in practice. Click [here](#) for more information.



Event / Midlands

Wales PLA have organised another joint **Pub Quiz** with Matrics on **Thursday 23 May at 5.30pm** at **The Volley, Bristol**. Teams will be mixed and allocated upon registration. The ticket price of £10pp includes 2 drinks and a pizza buffet.

Space is limited, so sign up early to avoid disappointment! Click [here](#) to book.

Speaker 's corner

Rupert Higgins (Hardwicke) considers the recent decision of the Supreme Court in *Wells v Devani* [2019] UKSC 4 regarding the question of estate agents' commission.

[Read more](#)



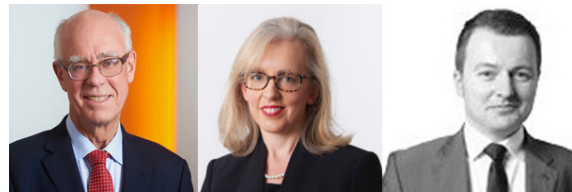
Event / JPLA

The Mock Mediation Event with Beverley Vara, **Deal or no deal? Property Mediation Workshop** due to take place on 30 April is **POSTPONED**.

The JPLA are committed to running the event as soon as possible, so

Following the success of the Midlands Summer Party and Bring a Surveyor events in previous years, in 2019 the **PLA Midlands** are looking forward to combining the two with a new format and venue. The **Spring Party/Bring a Surveyor** event is taking place on **Wednesday 22 May 6-9pm** at the popular Birmingham bar and eatery, **Primitivo**. The joint ticket price is £25 (subsidised by the PLA) includes canapés, a drink on arrival and drinks at the bar.

Click [here](#) for more information and to book.



Event / South West & South Wales

Join the **PLA South West & South Wales** group for Landmark Chambers and Malcolm Hollis: Ground (f) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 on **Thursday 2 May at 5pm** at Foot Anstey, Bristol. Landmark Chambers (John Male QC and Katherine Holland QC) and Malcolm Hollis (Chris Sullivan) will be on a panel discussing various aspects of Ground (f) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954, including the effect of *S Franses Ltd v Cavendish Hotel (London) Ltd*.

There will be **live video links** to

don't worry about missing out on hearing Beverley's top tips about how to get the most out of a mediation! Watch this space.

Event / Scotland

A number of PLA members are speaking at the **RICS Dilapidations Conference - Scotland** on **Thursday 30 May 8.45am-5pm**. PLA members can attend at the same rate as RICS members using a designated voucher code.

Click [here](#) for more information, how to book and the voucher code.

News / Law Reform

Following an initial period of one year, the success or otherwise of the **Unopposed Business Lease Renewals Pilot** is being reviewed with a view to making the scheme permanent and/or rolling it out to other County Court venues.

The **PLA Law Reform Committee** are urging PLA members to give their feedback by completing a short survey.

Click [here](#) for more information and the survey.

Event

The **44th Annual Series of Blundell Lectures on Property**

Eversheds Sutherland in Cardiff, and Ashfords in Exeter.

For more information and to book [click here](#).

News

PLA member Philip Sheppard has won first prize in the **Alan Langleben Memorial Essay Competition** with his entry on the assured tenancy regime relating to long leaseholds and, in addition to winning £1,000 cash, had his essay published in the [Estates Gazette](#).

The question posed for the essay was "What is the most unjust and/or unfair decision/statute/doctrine or principle in Property Law?"

Click [here](#) to read Philip's winning essay, ***Long Leaseholds and the Assured Tenancy Trap***, and those of the runners up.



Event / South Coast

Join the **South Coast PLA** at their CPD training event with [James Ballance](#), [Andrew Walker QC](#) and [James Hanham](#) from **Maitland Chambers** on **Wednesday 1 May at 5pm** at

Law will be held on **Monday 3, Tuesday 18, Monday 24 June & Monday 1 July 2019** at **LSE**.

"The renowned Blundell property law lectures bring together a great mix of real estate experts for inspiring and stimulating lectures and debate. The heavyweight lectures consistently deliver the cutting edge of real estate law and practice and are a must for those needing to unpick the most important and topical contentious real estate issues of the day." **Bryan Johnston, PLA Chair.**

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News / Blogs

"To what extent is the decision in *S Franes Ltd -v-The Cavendish Hotel (London) Ltd* a game changer?"

As part of our **Perspectives** series, following the thought provoking seminar, the two leading advocates, **Joanne Wicks QC** and **Guy Fetherstonhaugh QC**, consider how the Supreme Court's decision has altered the landscape for landlords and practitioners seeking to rely on ground (f).

[Read more](#)

Member profiles

A reminder to members to ensure they update their profiles on the PLA website. This will require a username and password which would have been generated on registration. Contact hello@pla.org.uk if you need help logging in.

Diary

- Tuesday 30 April 2019** - Cambridge - [East Anglia PLA Training with Falcon Chambers](#)
- Wednesday 1 May 2019** - Southampton - [South Coast PLA Training with Maitland Chambers](#)
- Thursday 2 May 2019** - Bristol - [Landmark Chambers: Ground \(f\) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954](#)
- Wednesday 22 May 2019** - Birmingham - [PLA Midlands Spring Party/Bring a Surveyor](#)
- Thursday 23 May 2019** - Bristol - [Matrics and South West & South Wales JPLA Joint Pub Quiz](#)
- Thursday 13 June 2019** - Manchester - [Northern Training Day 2019](#)
- Thursday 27 June 2019** - London - [Joint PLA/PBA Summer Party](#)
- Thursday 4 July 2019** - London - JPLA event: From hostage negotiation to negotiating property disputes: Lessons from a parallel world - save the date
- Wednesday 6 November 2019** - London - Autumn Training Day - save the date
- Thursday 14 November 2019** - London - Annual Dinner - save the date



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