

**What is "Sudden Shock"? and  
Other Developments in Secondary Victim Cases:  
*Taylor v Novo to Ronayne***

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**Chaired by:**  
Neil Block QC

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Charlie Cory-Wright QC  
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**Venue:** 39 Essex Chambers  
39 Essex Street  
London, WC2R 3AT

**Timings:** 6pm – 7pm

**Topics to be covered during the seminar include:**

- What is "sudden shock"?
- What psychiatric consequences must there be?
- Can hospital-based claims still succeed?
- Factual Evidence: what is required?
- Expert evidence: what is required?
- The requirements of proximity
- Can "two –event" cases ever succeed?

Refreshments will be served after the seminar

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Joint Head of Chambers **Neil Block QC** has, for many years, represented a range of clients involved in substantial and complex disputes, whether individual or group actions. He was picked as one of Chambers & Partners 2014 'Star Individuals' of Personal Injury Law and rated in Band 1 for Clinical Negligence. Chambers & Partners also named Neil in the Chambers 100, a list of the top 100 barristers practising at the Bar across all practice areas.



**Charlie Cory-Wright QC** has specialised in injury and clinical negligence claims throughout his career. His work is evenly split between claimants and defendants. Prior to taking silk in 2006, he was on the Attorney General's A Panel, and dealt with many fatal accidents and other injury and clinical negligence claims for the Government, as well as for insurers. He continues to do both. Since then, his work has been increasingly in catastrophic physical or psychiatric injury and in clinical negligence. He also has a particular interest in secondary victims and was instructed in the cases of *Taylor v Novo* and *Ronayne*. Charlie was Chair of the Personal Injuries Bar Association from 2012-14.



**Nicola Kohn** has a fast-growing common law practice encompassing personal injury, clinical negligence, insurance and professional negligence. She acts for both claimants and defendants in fast track and multi-track cases in the High Court and County Courts. She assisted Charlie Cory-Wright QC in the case of *Taylor v Novo*. Prior to coming to the Bar, Nicola spent eleven years as a political news journalist at the BBC where she worked as a programme producer on the BBC1 Politics Show and Radio Four's Today, and as a senior producer on Newsnight.