

## **Current Costs Issues** **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2016**

**Chaired by:**  
Peter Hurst

**Presented by:**  
Simon Edwards  
Judith Ayling  
Nicola Greaney

**Venue:**  
39 Essex Chambers  
81 Chancery Lane  
London  
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**Timings:**  
6pm – 7pm

**Topics to be covered include:**  
Assignment of CFAs  
Costs Budgeting  
Changing from Legal Aid to CFA

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**Peter Hurst** was the Senior Costs Judge of England & Wales, at the Royal Courts of Justice, from 1992 to 2014. During a judicial career which has spanned thirty years, he was also Judicial Taxing Officer of the House of Lords from 2002 to 2009 and of the United Kingdom Supreme Court from 2009 to 2014 and also of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council from 2002 to 2014. He worked closely with Lord Woolf on the Access to Justice Reforms and was an assessor to Lord Justice Jackson's Review of Costs. He has lectured frequently at costs conferences and seminars. He was on the Senior Editorial Board of the White Book when Senior Costs Judge and is now an Advisory Editor. At 39 Essex Chambers, he acts as arbitrator and mediator.



**Simon Edwards** has advised and spoken extensively on conditional fee and other costs issues in particular issues arising out of the Jackson reforms and how they impact on the changing legal market. A particular interest is in assisting in the drafting of business transfer agreements whether out and out transfers, reorganisations or conversions into LLP or company status. He appears frequently at the SCCO. His extensive experience of litigation in many different fields equips him with an understanding of the varied occasions in which costs are actually incurred, ranging from common law through commercial and property to family.



**Judith Ayling** has a very extensive costs practice. She has experience of dealing with the detailed assessment of costs, and has both advised in writing and appeared at detailed assessment hearings in the County Court and in the SCCO, as well as appearing at appeals from detailed assessment. She has particular expertise in issues arising out of CFAs and CCFAs, including success fees, insurance premiums and the recovery of additional liability where there has been non-compliance with the CPR. She also has experience in professional negligence cases involving costs. She has also lectured regularly on costs matters.



**Nicola Greaney** has a substantial clinical negligence, personal injury, Court of Protection and costs practice. She specialises particularly in costs relating to these areas. She appears at detailed assessment hearings and cost budgeting hearings. She has been advising recently on the recovery of costs against legally aided parties and the Legal Aid Board. She is instructed in a dispute about disclosure of ATE policies in pre-April 2013 cases. She is on the Attorney General's A Panel of Counsel and is asked to advise and represent the Government in relation to costs matters regularly including GLO costs. She also frequently lectures on costs issues.