

Contentious Probate Update with Hugh James

Tuesday, 2 (Cardiff) & 9 October (Carmarthen) 2018

2 pm - 5 pm

Holiday Inn, Cardiff North, CF15 7AD

National Botanic Garden Wales, Llanarthne, SA32 8HN

We are delighted to offer this seminar to our clients along with Legal Network Wales member firms. Barristers and solicitors from both St John's Chambers and Hugh James will look to consider recent developments together with a practical workshop.

The programme includes:

- A behind the scenes look at the highly publicised high court case of *Thompson v. Raggett and others*
- Interim injunctions in contentious probate
- Getting away with murder? The limits of the forfeiture rule in succession proceedings
- Interactive workshop – Capacity, gifts and presumptions

Presenters



Leslie Blohm QC, Barrister
(Call 1982)
St John's Chambers

Leslie is one of the Western Circuit's leading commercial and chancery silks, both in advisory work and in litigation in all Courts from the most local up to and including the House of Lords and the Supreme Court. He has over 30 years' experience of conducting contentious probate litigation, comprising of: disputes as to the validity of wills; proper administration of estates and will trusts; Inheritance Act claims; claims in respect of estates arising from informal agreements and proprietary estoppel.



Charlie Newington-Bridges,
Barrister
(Call 2011)
St John's Chambers

Charlie undertakes a wide range of commercial and chancery work in litigation, arbitration and mediation. He has experience of substantial, complex and high-value litigation in the High Court and the Court of Appeal as well as a wide experience in the county courts and in injunction applications. Charlie specialises in Inheritance Act 1975 claims and high-value estates and complex wills cases.



Vlad Macdonald-Munteanu
Associate
Hugh James

Vlad has appeared both in the High Court and County Court, and has successfully pursued cases in the Court of Appeal. Vlad's particular areas of expertise are: Challenges to the validity of wills; Claims under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependants) Act 1975; Proprietary estoppel and other equitable claims, to include resulting and constructive trust claims; Construction, rectification and revocation claims; Executor disputes; and Probate Registry practice and procedure, including summonses, citations and the Non-Contentious Probate Rules.