

# Programme



Introduction to contentious probate

Tuesday, 7th September 2021

This one-hour webinar, aimed at lawyers wishing to move into the field of inheritance, wills and probate will provide practitioners with a whistle-stop tour on contentious probate matters. There will also be chance to take part in an interactive session on how to run a contentious probate claim. This event is also ideal for solicitors who are after a refresher on this subject.

13:00 - 14:30	7th September 2021
13:05 - 13:30	<b>The essential components of contentious probate</b> <i>Daniel Soar, Barrister, St John's Chambers</i>
13:30 - 13:55	<b>From caveats to subpoenas: A whistle-stop tour of contentious probate procedure</b> <i>Annie Sampson, Barrister, St John's Chambers</i>
13:55 - 14:20	<b>Putting it all together: An interactive session on running contentious probate claims in practice</b> <i>Joss Knight, Barrister, St John's Chambers</i>
14:20–14:30	Live Q&A discussion joined by Paul Gordon, of Willans LLP & Alison Porter of Pennywise Consultants Ltd

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# Speakers:



**Joss Knight, Barrister, St John's Chambers**

Joss acts in a wide variety of wills, probate and estates matters and has particular expertise in applications for the removal of executors under s.50 of the Administration of Justice Act 1985, as well as will validity and proprietary estoppel claims.

**Annie Sampson, Barrister, St John's Chambers**

Annie's experience encompasses a broad range of wills and trusts work, including both contentious and non-contentious matters. Annie has particular experience of advising in respect of the construction of wills and challenges to their validity; 1975 Act claims, including advising in respect of settlement where there are minor beneficiaries; applications for the removal of executors and trustees; trusts of land; and professional negligence arising in context of wills and trusts work, including claims by disappointed beneficiaries.



**Daniel Soar, Barrister, St John's Chambers**

Daniel has a broad wills and trusts practice encompassing both contentious and non-contentious work. He has experience advising on the proper construction of wills, their formal and substantive validity, will challenges based on lack of capacity, want of knowledge and approval, and undue influence. Daniel also frequently advises in relation to claims for provision pursuant to the 1975 Act.

**Paul Gordon, Partner, Willans LLP**

Paul Gordon is a partner and head of litigation and dispute resolution at Willans LLP solicitors. He is adept at advising on all types of contentious probate and trust matters and is rated by both Chambers and Legal 500 for his expertise. Legal 500 note he "shows sensitivity and guides the case to the outcome the client hopes for. The service he provides is exceptional."



**Alison Porter, Founder & Managing Director, Pennywise Consultants Ltd**

Alison Porter is the Founder and Managing Director of Pennywise Consultants. Pennywise are lifestyle analysts who create and challenge budgets for dependants making or defending a claim under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependants) Act 1975. Their belief is that Income Needs Schedules should not be best guesses, but that evidence based schedules are the best way to demonstrate a case.



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