

# THE ANNUAL BOND SOLO EXPERT WITNESS CONFERENCE 2018

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**Friday 9 November 2018**

**The Church House Conference Centre**  
Dean's Yard, Westminster, London SW1P 3NZ

**Keynote:**

The Right Honourable Lord Justice McFarlane

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## Timetable

9.15	<b>Registration and refreshments</b>	14.00	<b>Parallel sessions.</b> Please choose one:
9.45	<b>Welcome and introduction from the Chair</b> <i>Mark Solon, Solicitor and Director, Bond Solon</i> <i>Isabel Litherland, Solicitor and Bond Solon Trainer</i>		<b>Criminal</b> The Senior Investigating Officer and the Expert Witness in Major Criminal Investigations <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The relationship between the SIO and the expert</li><li>• What the SIO needs</li><li>• Problems/challenges with experts including disclosure</li><li>• How to work with the SIO effectively <i>Detective Chief Supt Chris Ward, Thames Valley Police</i></li></ul>
10.00	<b>Keynote address</b> <i>The Right Honourable Lord Justice McFarlane, Lord Justice of Appeal</i>		<b>Medico-legal</b> Montgomery and consent <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• An overview of informed consent, the Supreme Court case of Montgomery, the post-Montgomery cases law and where we are over 3 years on</li><li>• The relevance and importance of Montgomery to the present day practising clinician both legally and medically</li><li>• How Montgomery impacts upon the medicolegal expert, including issues of evidence <i>Dr Jock Mackenzie, Partner and Solicitor-Advocate, Anthony Gold Solicitors</i></li></ul>
10.40	<b>Artificial Intelligence in the courtroom</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Where are we now on the use of AI in litigation?</li><li>• What does the future hold?</li><li>• How will this impact on the work of experts? <i>Oliver Glynn-Jones, Partner, Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner</i></li></ul>		<b>Commercial</b> Modernising disclosure – Jan 2019 pilot scheme <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What will change?</li><li>• Why is this pilot taking place?</li><li>• The impact on experts <i>The Hon. Mr Justice Robin Knowles CBE</i></li></ul>
11.00	<b>Data and the expert – risks and responsibilities</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Registering with the ICO</li><li>• Storing, sharing and destroying personal data</li><li>• Sanctions <i>Richard Nevinson, Group Manager, Policy &amp; Engagement, Information Commissioner's Office</i></li></ul>		<b>Family</b> Experts under attack in "best interest" cases <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Parents v the medical profession</li><li>• The balance between the child's needs and the parents' needs</li><li>• How to assist the court to make a best interest decision when the parents and experts conflict <i>Fiona Paterson, Barrister, 39 Essex Chambers</i></li></ul>
11.20	<b>Refreshments</b>		
11.45	<b>Annual legal update</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Key cases and legislation for experts in civil, criminal and family courts</li><li>• Procedure update</li><li>• Practical issues arising over the last 12 months <i>Kathryn Clague, Lecturer, Cardiff University</i></li></ul>		
12.15	<b>A judge's perspective on experts' reports</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The fundamentals</li><li>• Examples of poor practice</li><li>• What a judge is looking for in a report <i>Sir David Foskett, High Court Judge</i></li></ul>		
13.00	<b>Lunch</b>		
		15.15	<b>Refreshments</b>
		15.45	<b>Working with solicitors</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Are you the right person for the job?</li><li>• Getting the right terms, instructions and information</li><li>• Pressure from solicitors <i>Melanie Willems, Head of International Arbitration, Haynes and Boone CDG</i></li></ul>
		16.15	<b>Working with counsel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Your role</li><li>• Their role</li><li>• Limitations <i>David Quest QC, 3 Verulam Buildings</i></li></ul>
		16.45	<b>Closing comments</b>
		17.00	<b>Complimentary drinks reception and presentation of Cardiff University Bond Solon Expert Witness Certificates</b>
		18.30	<b>Close</b>



I try to come each year. I have attended a great many. These conferences never disappoint, nor did this one. I always learn something new.

Consultant  
Psychiatrist and  
2016 delegate



## Speakers include



**Sir Andrew McFarlane** was appointed to the High Court, Family Division in 2005 and was for 5 years the Family Division Liaison Judge for the Midland Circuit. He was the legal member of the Government 'Family Justice Review' Panel. He was appointed as a Lord Justice of Appeal in July 2011 and now sits full time in the Court of Appeal in London.



**Sir Robin Knowles** sits in the Commercial Court, the Administrative Court, and the Court of Appeal Criminal Division. He is also a member of the Disclosure Working Group, which in July published the Practice Direction and Disclosure Review Document.



**Oliver Glynn-Jones** is a solicitor advocate and global head of Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner's Commercial Disputes group. He has over 18 years' experience of resolving complex, major corporate disputes. He advises across all aspects of commercial litigation and led the team that achieved the first contested order to use predictive coding in the case of *Brown v BCA*.



**Fiona Paterson** has appeared in several landmark cases before both the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal. She has also acted for Great Ormond Street in a number of high profile medical treatment cases including the Charlie Gard and Olivia Stanca cases.



**Kathryn Clague** is an experienced litigator with a background in civil litigation and regulatory law, including personal injury, professional negligence, contractual disputes, nuisance and consumer protection. She has been a lecturer on the Bar Professional Training Course at Cardiff University since September 2015.



**Melanie Willems** is head of international arbitration at Haynes and Boone and is experienced in all forms of alternative dispute resolution (expert determination, mediation, adjudication and so forth). She also represents clients in court in the UK, and sits as an arbitrator.



**Sir David Foskett** was appointed to the High Court Queen's Bench Division in 2007. He is the Judge in charge of the Queen's Bench Civil List. Sir David is also Master Treasurer of Gray's Inn, one of the four Inns of Court which have the exclusive right to call men and women to the Bar of England and Wales.



**David Quest QC** is a skilled advocate and a formidable cross-examiner, with extensive trial experience both in court (in the UK and offshore) and arbitration. He is recommended in the legal directories as a leading silk in banking and finance, commercial dispute resolution, civil fraud, and offshore work.



**Chris Ward** has been a Police Officer for nearly 30 years. He has spent most of his service as a Detective and most recently was the Head of Thames Valley Police Major Crime Unit. He has extensive experience within homicide investigation, as well as kidnap and extortion investigations.



**Mark Solon** is a solicitor and US Attorney at Law. He has organised the training and conferences for tens of thousands of experts. He has written several books and numerous articles dealing with expert evidence.



**Dr Jock Mackenzie** trained at Barts in London and worked for several years as a hospital physician before retraining as a solicitor specialising in claimant clinical negligence. Jock is both an AvMA and Law Society Clinical Negligence panel member and is also a Solicitor-Advocate with Higher Rights of Audience.



**Isabel Litherland** is a solicitor qualified in both England and Scotland. After years as a civil litigation partner who routinely relied on the evidence of experts she joined Bond Solon in 2005 and was Head of Expert Witness Group for several years.

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