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Legal aid conference: The future of legal aid

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The Law Society's first legal aid conference will prepare you for the many legal aid reforms coming into effect over the next year. The Ministry of Justice reforms; Jackson; the Family Justice Review and competitive tendering will all affect the way legal aid firms work in practice. Significant changes will need to be made. The Law Society's Conference will give you practical advice on how the reforms will affect your business and how best to position yourself in order to survive. This essential event, presented by subject matter experts, will include:

- A keynote plenary session on justice in the 21st century
- Interactive breakout sessions on reforms and practical advice on how to survive them
- A plenary session on the shape of legal aid to come, including how the LSC will commission crime, civil and telephone services over the next two years.

Why attend?

This is an essential event for those legal aid practitioners who are determined to have a sustainable legal aid practice. You will receive practical advice on structuring your firm and your processes. You will also hear from expert speakers to help you answer the questions:

- How will my business be affected?
- How can I protect my business?
- What new opportunities exist?

The programme includes thought provoking plenaries, break out sessions and networking opportunities. Topics to be covered include:

- Justice in the 21st century
- Practical implications of Jackson
- Competitive tendering
- The Family Justice Review
- Prosecution by electronics
- The effect Ministry of Justice reforms will have on family practice.

Who should attend?

- Legal aid practitioners
- Practice managers
- Managing partners of legal aid firms
- Not-for-profit administrators
- Policy advisors.

Exhibition and sponsorship opportunities are available.

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Programme

08:30 - 09:30	Registration
09:30 - 09:35	Welcome and introduction Des Hudson, <i>chief executive, The Law Society</i>
09:35 - 10:45	Plenary 1: Justice in the 21st century <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Impact of Ministry of Justice reform on legal aid• Reform of the family justice system• Crown Prosecution Service reform
10:45 - 11:15	Refreshments and networking
11:15 - 12:15	Breakout sessions A: Civil, criminal and family reforms A1: Understanding competitive tendering A2: How to survive as a sustainable legal aid firm A3: How does the Family Justice Review impact your practice?
12:15 - 13:15	Lunch and networking
13:15 - 14:15	Breakout sessions B: Civil, criminal and family reforms B1: Modernising the criminal justice system in the internet age B2: Solicitor advocacy: courts and tribunals B3: Family practice following the LA and MoJ reforms
14:15 - 14:30	Refreshments and networking
14:30 - 15:45	Breakout sessions C: The legal aid survival kit C1: How to survive a Legal Services Commission audit C2: Jackson, clinical negligence and housing: how does it affect you? C3: How to survive your bank manager
15:45 - 17:00	Closing plenary: The shape of legal aid to come <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What will the next five years mean for legal aid• LSC commissioning of crime, civil and telephone services over the next 2 years. Hugh Barrett, <i>director of legal aid commissioning and contract management, Legal Services Commission</i>• How to adapt and survive Lucy Scott-Moncrieff, <i>vice-president, The Law Society</i>
17:00	Closing remarks Lucy Scott-Moncrieff, <i>vice-president, The Law Society</i>

Booking form

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Breakout session preferences. (Please give your first and second choice options)

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A2 B2 C2

A3 B3 C3

Registration fee

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£145 + VAT = £174.00

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£395 + VAT = £474.00

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