



The Law Society

Anti-money laundering annual conference 2010 Speakers



Julia Adams is a senior lawyer in Slaughter and May's Compliance Department, advising the firm on a wide range of compliance matters. Within the field of anti-money laundering, Julia has particular responsibility for developing policies and procedures and assisting fee earners on client identification issues. She currently sits on the Law Society's Money Laundering Task Force.

Prior to joining the Compliance Department, Julia practised first as a corporate lawyer and then as a professional support lawyer within the Information Technology department where she advised both clients and the firm on legal developments within the fields of data protection and information technology.

Slaughter and May is a leading international law firm recognised throughout the business community for its commercial awareness and commitment to clients. The firm advises on high profile and groundbreaking international transactions and has a varied client list that includes leading companies, organisations and governments.

Robin Booth is a partner at BCL Burton Copeland specialising in fraud, corruption and money laundering. He has extensive experience, both as a prosecutor and a defence lawyer, of the investigation and prosecution of serious financial and other crime. Robin has acted for defendants in a number of high profile fraud and money laundering prosecutions, as well as advising individuals, companies and foreign governments on corruption and anti-money laundering compliance both in the UK and abroad.

He chaired the Money Laundering Task Force from 2005 to 2008 and is the Law Society representative on the SARs Regime Committee at the Serious Organised Crime Agency. He is a co-author of "Money Laundering Law and Regulation: A Practical Guide" (forthcoming from the Oxford University Press).

BCL Burton Copeland provides specialist advice and representation nationally and internationally in the areas of commercial fraud / criminal fraud, business crime, regulatory enforcement, serious and general crime, dispute resolution, and anti-money laundering and anti-corruption compliance.

The firm are top ranked by Chambers UK and The Legal 500 in relation to Criminal Fraud, Corporate Criminal Fraud, Cartel Defence, Crime, Contentious Tax Fraud and Customs & Excise. The firm also advises major international accountancy practices, leading international law firms and wholesale bank note dealers in relation to non-contentious matters such as anti-money laundering and anti-corruption compliance.



Nicola Boulton is one of the founding partners of Byrne and Partners. She is a commercial litigator, specialising in fraud and financial services and commodities litigation. She is principally involved in complex, high value cases, usually with multi-jurisdiction aspects and often involving emergency relief procedures. Nicola has particular expertise in international asset tracing and money laundering issues. She is a member of the Law Society Money Laundering Task Force and often lectures on money laundering and corporate and regulatory investigations, both to clients and fellow professionals. Nicola qualified in 1994, practising first at Clyde & Co and then at the

Financial Services Authority.

Byrne and Partners is a highly regarded litigation practice with specialist expertise in commercial litigation, civil fraud, insurance and re-insurance, criminal investigations and prosecutions, confiscation and asset recovery, tax investigations and regulatory and disciplinary proceedings.

Peter Burrell is a partner in one of the general commercial litigation groups and, in addition to general/fraud commercial litigation, specialises in contentious regulatory work including conducting and managing internal investigations, either commenced by the company itself following the discovery of an internal problem or commenced as a result of an external investigation by the Serious Fraud Office, HM Revenue & Customs, DTI and the FSA.



He also advises on all aspects associated with compliance with the relevant money laundering provisions systems and controls to prevent financial crime. A large part of Peter's practice entails advising on criminal liability issues, in particular, anti-corruption policies and procedures, as well as managing and conducting criminal investigations and proceedings.

Herbert Smith LLP is an UK international law firms with top-tier dispute resolution and corporate capabilities, Herbert Smith LLP is acknowledged as one of the world's leading legal practices.

Alongside the firm's outstanding reputation in dispute resolution and corporate work, Herbert Smith has leading practices in finance, real estate, competition and employment, pensions and incentives. They are also acknowledged as leaders in a number of industry sectors, including the energy and natural resources and financial institutions sectors.

Martin Churchill is a Principal Officer with the UKFIU's Dialogue Team, which aims to continue to improve communication and understanding between SAR Regime participants, and in striving to improve both the quality and usefulness of SARs the team aims to educate and support reporters.

SOCA is an intelligence-led agency with law enforcement powers and has a responsibility to reduce the harm caused to people and communities by serious organised crime. SOCA is responsible for the gathering, storing, analysing and dissemination of information relevant to the prevention, detection, investigation or prosecution of offences or to the reduction of crime by other means or the mitigation of its consequences. The UK Financial Intelligence Unit (UKFIU) is situated within SOCA and has national responsibility for gathering, analysing and dissemination of the financial intelligence submitted through the Suspicious Activity Reports (SAR) regime.



Nick Cray is the global Chief Operating Officer at Lovells, a law firm with 350 partners and over 3,500 staff operating from 27 offices in Asia, Europe, the Middle East and the USA. Nick's role is one of general management of the practice with a particular focus on the operational side of the business - including line management responsibility for IT, HR, facilities, knowledge management and compliance.

Nick has now been with Lovells for 20 years and has been involved in many major projects, including the firm's mergers in Germany, France and Holland, the firm's relocation to Atlantic House in London and the LLP conversion. Nick has been, and still is, heavily involved with Lovells' imminent merger with Hogan & Hartson which will create one of the world's largest global law firms with more than 3,000 fee earners and 40 offices in the world's leading financial, commercial and political hubs. Nick is a member of the firm's International Executive (Board equivalent), International Management Group and Risk Management Committee. He is also the firm's Money Laundering Reporting Officer, a member of The Law Society's Money Laundering Taskforce and a pension trustee.

Nick Qualified as a Chartered Accountant with Ernst & Young before becoming Group FD of Arrow Computers and then "The Accountant" at National Mutual Life. Nick graduated from Exeter with a degree in Economics and Statistics, is married with two "children" and enjoys golf and cricket.

Lovells LLP is one of the world's leading international business legal practices with offices in the major financial and commercial centres across Asia, Europe, the Middle East and the United States. The range of work at Lovells is very broad. It is one of the firm's strengths as a business and a long standing attraction for candidates.

Lovells international strength across a wide range of practice areas gives the firm an exceptional reputation not only for corporate transactional work, but also for other specialist areas including dispute resolution, banking, intellectual property, employment, EU/Competition, insurance and tax.

Clive Cutbill moved to Withers as a partner in September 2000 and is now a Principal in the Charities and Philanthropy Department of Withers LLP and the firm's nominated officer for money laundering reporting purposes. As chair of the STEP Anti-money Laundering Task Force, he has been involved in discussions with HM Treasury, MEPs, the European Commission and the Financial Action Task Force of the OECD regarding the fight against money laundering and terrorist financing.



He was a recipient of an outstanding achievement award at the STEP 2007 Private Client Awards for his role in securing key amendments to the Money Laundering Regulations 2007 at draft stage. His combination of knowledge and experience in the fields of trust and charity law, on the one hand, and money laundering and terrorist financing issues, on the other, has been described as 'unique'.

Withers LLP is the first international law firm dedicated to the business and personal interests of successful people, their families and their advisers. With offices in London, Milan, Geneva, Hong Kong, BVI (British Virgin Islands), New York, New Haven (Connecticut) and Greenwich (USA) the firm has unparalleled expertise in commercial and tax law, trusts, estate planning, litigation, employment and family law and other legal issues facing high net worth individuals. The firm's status as the largest private client team in Europe and their outstanding reputation in family law set the firm apart from other City firms.

Martin Drew is Higher Investigation Officer, HMRC Criminal Investigation, on the Counter Proliferation Intelligence Team (WMD and Conventional), where he has been posted for the past twelve years, primarily investigating international drug trafficking and more recently working in Counter Proliferation Intelligence. He currently specialises in international conventional arms trafficking and leads on development of counter proliferation finance. He has 20 years' experience at HM Customs and Excise/HMRC, including a period of secondment to the National Criminal Intelligence Service (NCIS) 'Special Projects' Branch.



Stephen Gentle is a partner in the criminal and regulatory department of Kingsley Napley. He has been at the firm since 1993. Stephen specialises in assisting corporate and individual clients in complex fraud matters of all descriptions, frequently with multi-jurisdictional aspects. He has a particular interest in advising in corruption cases and money laundering prevention, investigations and prosecutions often in its cross border aspects.

His international criminal practice covers extradition proceedings and mutual legal assistance issues. Stephen also regularly advises clients in Financial Services Authority investigations with a particular emphasis on market abuse and manipulation issues.

He is a regular contributor to professional texts, his most recent work being (with Louise Hodges) "Kingsley Napley: Serious Fraud, Investigation and Trial" (LexisNexis, 2009).

Kingsley Napley is an internationally recognised law firm based in central London. The firm's wide range of expertise means that they can provide support for their clients in all areas of their business and private life. Many of their lawyers are leaders in their field and their practice areas are highly ranked by the legal directories.

Alison Matthews is the Money Laundering Reporting Officer and Associate Director - Compliance at Irwin Mitchell. She joined in July 2001 from Professional Ethics at the Law Society, where she advised on investment business and money laundering issues.



Alison is Chair of the Money Laundering Taskforce of the Law Society of England and Wales, which lobbied on both Money Laundering Directives and on the money laundering provisions of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002. She has been the key contributor to the Taskforce's work on the 3rd directive and the consultations to implement the directive in the UK.

Alison was a key contributor to the Practice Note and a member of the Editorial Board for the 2004 guidance, having co-authored the Law Society's 2002 guidance. She has lectured for the Law Society of Northern Ireland and spoke at the Opening of the Legal Year in Lyon in 2006.

Irwin Mitchell LLP was established over 90 years ago and is the fourth largest law firm, and the largest personal injury practice, in the UK. The practice employs more than 2,300 staff - including over 1,000 fee-earners, with offices in Birmingham, Glasgow, Leeds, London, Manchester, Newcastle and Sheffield as well as the Spanish cities of Marbella and Madrid.

IM provide a comprehensive legal service with particular strengths in litigation throughout the practice. The firm has a truly distinctive profile with a reputation for progress and growth underpinned by their brand values - innovation, responsiveness, solutions and value.



Suzie Ogilvie is the Head of Anti-Money Laundering at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP and advises both the firm and its clients on anti-money laundering issues. Suzie is also a member of the Law Society's Money Laundering Task Force.

Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP is an integrated international law firm and operates from 27 offices in 15 countries, including all the main financial centers of the world.

Our 2,500 plus lawyers provide unrivalled technical and commercial advice to the world's leading national and multinational corporations, financial institutions and governments, helping them deal with their most challenging and complex business issues and transactions. The firm is also the official legal services provider to the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Michael Potts specialises in the defence of financial crime, fraud and regulatory investigations and prosecutions. He has acted in numerous high profile investigations and prosecutions brought against individuals by the SFO, FSA, Fraud Prosecution Service, Revenue & Customs Prosecutions Office and other regulatory bodies/prosecution agencies. Michael also advises both companies and professional firms on their anti – money laundering compliance. Michael is a founding partner of Byrne and Partners in 2003. He is a member of the Association of Regulatory and Disciplinary Lawyers and is a member of the Law Society’s Anti Money Laundering Panel. Michael regularly lectures on anti - money laundering and proceeds of crime asset recovery issues. He is a contributing author to the Restraint and Confiscation Chapter of “Fraud Law: Practice and Procedure”.



Peter Rodd is the Senior Conveyancing and Managing Partner of Boys and Maughan Solicitors, a 12 partner High Street practice based in East Kent. He is past president and for the last ten years secretary of the Isle of Thanet Law Society. He is Chair of the Law Society Property Section Executive Committee and a member of the Law Society’s Money Laundering Taskforce and E-Conveyancing Taskforce. He is a former member of the Law Society Home Information Pack Task Force.

Admitted as a solicitor in 1978 and appointed a Notary Public in 1989 Peter believes that the profession needs to adapt rapidly to the changing business world in which most firms practise and be willing to adopt new strategies and procedures to ensure the survival of High Street firms.

Boys & Maughan is a provincial solicitor's firm practising from the four east Kent towns of Margate, Birchington, Broadstairs and Ramsgate. Dating from 1803, when John Boys was admitted as a solicitor, the firm has steadily grown and now has a strength of over 65 partners and staff. Their goal is to provide professional, accessible and cost effective legal services to private and commercial clients throughout the South East.

State of the art computer systems, Lexcel accredited client care standards and a willingness to adopt a positive businesslike approach combine with centuries of tradition and experience. The result provides a blend of skill and service which is acknowledged by clients and competitors alike.

Cherie Spinks is an associate in the London office of Simmons & Simmons and a member of the firm's Crime, Fraud & Investigations Group. She has significant experience in advising financial institutions and global corporations on extradition and high profile fraud and corruption investigations in both the UK and internationally including those run by the UK Serious Fraud Office and Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs. She also advises professionals and corporations based in the UK and offshore on technical money laundering issues including disclosure obligations and compliance with the UK Money Laundering Regulations 2007 and advises on implementation of worldwide anti money laundering procedures.



Cherie regularly speaks at conferences on developments in the anti money laundering regime and also frequently writes articles on criminal matters. She contributes to the Lloyd's Law Reports on Financial Crime and is joint author of the money laundering chapter in Cordery on Solicitors (Lexis Nexis) and a contributor to A Practitioner's Guide to UK Money Laundering Law and Regulation (City & Financial). Cherie is the Chairwoman of the Young Fraud Lawyers Association.

Simmons & Simmons is a large international law firm with over 1,800 people and 20 offices located in major business and financial centres throughout Europe, the Middle East and Asia. It undertakes significant cross-border and highly complex transactions alongside its more local work. The bulk of its revenues derive from the work done by its corporate and financial markets departments, and it has particular experience working for financial institutions and in the technology, life sciences and energy and infrastructure sectors.