

Personal Insolvency - Challenges for the market in the years ahead



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One day
course



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This one day course will cover the key issues and challenges facing insolvency practitioners in the personal insolvency cases market in the years ahead. The course will focus on practical advice and personal experience on resolving issues that arise in personal insolvency appointments.

The key issues covered will seek to offer a practical insight and technical updates on a range of every day challenges faced by officeholders in personal insolvency cases.

Topics covered in this year's course include:

- Professional practices
- Deceased insolvent estates
- Annulments
- Fees
- Voidable transactions
- The need for urgency

The day will consist of a mixture of panel sessions, case studies and presentations from experienced personal insolvency specialists to encourage participation and discussion from all.

Who is this course aimed at?

The aim of the course is to provide practical advice relevant to the day to day activities of solicitors and insolvency practitioners, their managers and administrators with at least six years' experience.

Comments from last year's course:

"Every area of this course was equally relevant"

"Good mix of relevant topics"

"Excellent course and very informative"

Speakers

- **Alan Bennett** is a partner in the restructuring and insolvency team at Ashfords. He advises insolvency practitioners, directors, lenders and individuals on a range of insolvency issues including antecedent transactions, sale and purchase of insolvent businesses, advice on COMI and advice to corporates facing financial difficulties.
- **Andrew Hosking** has over 25 years' experience in investigations, insolvency and forensic work. He spent 12 years working as partner for Grant Thornton and is now partner at the restructuring and insolvency practice at Quantuma, having joined from Baker Tilly. Latterly, Andy has been working extensively in the professional and legal services sector and has worked on a number of law firms such as Challinors Solicitors, Manches LLP, Davenport Lyons and St John Law. He has key experience of working in international markets and on complex international insolvencies.
- **Christopher Brockman** has consistently been recognised as a leading insolvency barrister in the field of insolvency by legal directories for many years and is one of the few barristers specialising only in insolvency law. Formerly a partner at a leading regional firm of solicitors, Chris has practiced in personal and commercial insolvency for 20 years.
- **Christopher Brougham QC** specialises in insolvency, personal and corporate law, including matrimonial financial provision and insolvency. His area of practice also includes litigation arising out of insolvency cases, security disputes, disqualification of directors and professional negligence. He has been a deputy bankruptcy registrar since 1984 and he is the co-author of Muir Hunter on Personal Insolvency.
- **Graham McPhie** is a partner in the insolvency department of Moon Beever solicitors and has 25 years' experience in a wide range of personal and corporate insolvency matters. He is a regular speaker at courses and aims to provide very practical sessions on technically difficult issues.
- **Howard Roberts** is an insolvency solicitor, licensed insolvency practitioner, and solicitor advocate (Higher Court Rights Civil). He is the contributing editor of various textbooks on insolvency, and both writes and lectures regularly upon all aspects of insolvency.
- **John Hedger** is head of the insolvency team at Seneca Insolvency Practitioners, based in Derbyshire and Oxfordshire, dealing with both corporate and personal insolvency. John started his career in insolvency at KPMG over 26 years ago. John has held positions at BDO, E&Y, Mercer & Hole and MDC. While at MDC as head of insolvency, John sat on the board of the Debt Resolution Forum.
- **Neil Maddocks** has extensive experience of individual and corporate insolvency in all aspects of insolvency and commercial litigation. His recent experiences include advisory and formal insolvency work for several solicitors and other professional practices with liquidity issues, barristers, construction, leisure and maritime businesses.
- **Samantha Palmer** is a partner and head of professional and financial risks at Ashfords. She has over 20 years extensive experience of professional indemnity and professional risks in private practice and has also led the Solicitors' Regulation Authority's Financial Assurance focus for the last three years.

8.45	Registration and coffee
9.15	Chairman's introduction Christopher Brockman , Guildhall Chambers
9.20	Voidable transactions – a practical perspective This session will consider hands-on aspects of antecedent transactions in personal insolvency, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refresher of powers available - ss 284, 339-342, 423 IA86 • Devious bankrupts and real property • Setting aside trust deeds • Remedial constructive trust • Dealing with use of offshore corporations case study – Delaware Howard Roberts , Prodicus Legal Solicitors John Hedger , Seneca Insolvency Practitioners (Leeds)
10.20	Professional practices This session will provide an insight into the common issues facing individuals in professional practices when insolvency becomes an issue. Andrew Hosking , Quantuma LLP Samantha Palmer , Ashfords LLP
11.20	Coffee break
11.40	Legal update This session will provide an update on the key decisions in personal insolvency over the last 12 months. Christopher Brougham QC , South Square
12.20	Deceased insolvent estates This session will provide practical advice on the issues connected with the inter-relationship between insolvency and administration of deceased estates law and will give an understanding in this often misunderstood area. It will look at the problem from the perspective of the creditors, the deceased's estate and those administering that estate. Graham McPhie , Moon Beaver
13.00	Lunch

14.00	Panel discussion - It's all about fees The panel session will discuss the new fees regime to be introduced on 1 October, focusing on practical tips to stay ahead of the curve. Chaired by: Alan Bennett , Ashfords LLP
15.00	Coffee break
15.20	Annulments This session will consider various issues including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications on the basis of the order ought not to be made • Where costs of the bankruptcy ought to fall • Practical tips on what a trustee should do when an application is made It will also consider an IVA as an exit to bankruptcy as well as how in practice funding can be raised to effect the annulment. Neil Maddocks , Undebt.co.uk Ltd
16.25	The need for urgency This session will address various issues such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Injunctions • Search and seizure orders • Arrest warrants • Other extreme remedies when urgent action is required to preserve or take control of bankruptcy assets The session will provide practical experience and real life examples. Christopher Brockman , Guildhall Chambers
17.05	Chairman's close

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