# THE SOUTH EASTERN CIRCUIT BAR MESS FOUNDATION ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL ADVOCACY COURSE 2017

KEBLE COLLEGE, OXFORD

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

[KEEP THIS WITH YOU AT ALL TIMES]

# **Introduction to the Course**

- 1. Welcome to the South Eastern Circuit Bar Mess Foundation Advanced International Advocacy Course. We are delighted that you will be participating in this course and we are sure that you will find it an inspiring and rewarding week.
- 2. The intention is to give you the chance to practise and hone your advocacy skills in a supportive and collegiate environment.
- 3. The course is intended to be intensive and challenging. Its aim is to stretch you as advocates, to give you the confidence to consolidate skills you have already acquired and to practise new skills. To this end, the course devotes a large amount of time in particular to training advocates in appellate advocacy and expert witnesses.
- 4. The basic structure of the course is, wherever possible, to provide a Presentation and Demonstration of a particular form of advocacy before you are asked to perform it yourself.
- 5. Advocacy reviews are conducted using the Hampel Method of advocacy teaching with which most of you will be very familiar. For those of you used to the Hampel Method of advocacy teaching, you will notice that this course makes use of the revised method which detaches the "Replay" from the Review Session to a separate session conducted later, after time for reflection. This provides the Participant with an opportunity to adjust the performance to take account of what has been learnt during the earlier session. The Replay Sessions are clearly marked on the Schedule.
- The location and contact details of the Course Office are: Rooms A001/2 (Arco Building): Tel/Fax: 01865 282300; tel: 01865 282309. The telephone number of the Porter's lodge is 01865 272727.

# **Pre – Course Preparation**

### All Participants

- 1. Study this Programme Schedule with care before you begin your preparation.
- 2. **All participants** should allow <u>at least</u> four full days to prepare in advance for this Course.
- 3. You will be expected to have done a <u>full</u> Case Analysis.
- 4. All participants must prepare your Skeleton Argument for planned use in the Breakout Group session taking place as the Appellate Advocacy Exercise on Wednesday 30 August 2017. This should be lodged by email to <a href="mailto:aaron.dolan@southeastcircuit.org.uk">aaron.dolan@southeastcircuit.org.uk</a> by no later than 12 noon on Monday 21 August 2017.

It must be clearly marked with the **EXERCISE NUMBER AND YOUR NAME AND COURSE**.

Please bring both Electronic and Hard Copies with you.

## **Criminal Participants**

1. All criminal participants must prepare an Outline of your Closing Speech for planned use in the Breakout Group session taking place on Monday 28 August 2017. This should be lodged by email to <a href="mailto:aaron.dolan@southeastcircuit.org.uk">aaron.dolan@southeastcircuit.org.uk</a> by no later than 12 noon on Monday 21 August 2017. It must be clearly marked with the <a href="mailto:EXERCISE NUMBER AND YOUR NAME AND COURSE">EXERCISE NUMBER AND YOUR NAME AND COURSE</a>.

# **Civil Participants**

2. All **civil participants** must prepare an Outline of your **Opening Speech** (i.e a skeleton argument for the trial) for planned use in the Breakout Group session taking

place on Wednesday 30 August 2017. This should be lodged by email to <a href="mailto:aaron.dolan@southeastcircuit.org.uk">aaron.dolan@southeastcircuit.org.uk</a> by no later than 12 noon on Monday 21 August 2017. It must be clearly marked with the <a href="mailto:EXERCISE NUMBER AND YOUR NAME">EXERCISE NUMBER AND YOUR NAME</a> AND COURSE.

### **Pre-Lodged Documents**

These documents (as above) will be provided to the Faculty prior to the relevant sessions and will be those relied upon by you during those sessions. There is no scope for lodging any amended documents during the course. Participants must be prepared to deploy their advocacy skills as appropriate if their pre-lodged documents do not reflect fully the oral argument they are to present.

Monday 28 August 2017		
10.00 - 11.00 Douglas Price Room	Administrative briefing and introduction to training method for faculty and helpers only	
11.45 O'Reilly Theatre	Welcome and course introduction	HHJ Goose QC
12.00 - 13.00 Criminal Groups: Roy Griffiths Room Civil Groups: O'Reilly Theatre	Talk and demonstration on closing speeches	Criminal: Anesta Weekes QC (presentation) Shaun Smith QC (demonstration) HHJ Goose QC (Judge)  Civil: Darryl Allen QC (presentation only)
13.00 - 14.00 Hall	LUNCH BREAK	
14.00 - 15.30 Break-out rooms	Exercise 1: Group introduction and then closing speeches in <i>Kirk</i> (crime) and <i>Steel Pressings</i> (civil)	Review and video-review of around 5-7-minute portion of closing speech
15.30 - 16.00 Douglas Price Room	TEA BREAK	
16.00 - 17.30 Reorganised groups: See whiteboard at reception desk	Case Analysis	
17.30 - 18.30 Civil: O'Reilly Theatre	Talk on examination in chief and cross examination	Criminal: Sarah Whitehouse QC (presentation) John Ryder QC (demonstration)
Criminal: Roy Griffiths		Civil: Joel Donovan QC (presentation only)
18.30 - 19.30	Prep for tomorrow	
19.30 Hall	DINNER	

Tuesday 29 August 2017		
07.45 Hall	BREAKFAST	
08.45 - 09.15	Replay of Exercise 1 – Closing Speeches	Each participant to repeat approx. 3 minute portion of their Closing Speech in light of their reviews
09.15 - 11.00 Break-out rooms	Exercise 2: Witness handling Crime: As examine and Bs cross-examine prosecution witnesses Civil: As examine and Bs cross-examine claimants' witnesses	Participants should be prepared to examine/cross-examine any witness.
11.00 - 11.50 Douglas Price Room	COFFEE and preparation for replay	
11.50 - 12.30 Break-out rooms	Exercise 2 - Witness handling replay	Not video-reviewed
12.30 - 13.30 Hall	LUNCH	
13.30 - 15.15 Break-out rooms	Witness handling  Crime: B's examine and A's crossexamine defence witnesses  Civil: B's examine and A's crossexamine defence witnesses	Participants should be prepared to examine/cross examine any witness.
15.15 - 15.45 Douglas Price Room	TEA	
16.00 - 17.00 O'Reilly Theatre	Talk and demonstration on appellate and submissions advocacy	Treacy LJ (presentation)  Martin Griffiths QC (demonstration)

17.00 - 17.30 O'Reilly Theatre	Exercise 2 – Witness handling replay	
17.30 - 18.30 O'Reilly Theatre	Presentation Skills	James Hartman
18.30 -19.30	Participants - Prep for the following day	
19.30 Hall	Dinner	

Wednesday 30 August 2017		
07.45 Hall	Breakfast	
08.45 - 10.30 Breakout Rooms	Exercise 3 Witness handling Participants to choose whether they wish to examine or cross-examine and which witness they wish to do.	
10.30 - 11.00 Douglas Price Room	COFFEE	
11.00 - 12.00 O'Reilly Theatre	Talk on skeleton arguments	Green J (presentation)
12.00 - 13.00 Breakout rooms	Exercise 4 – Appellate / submission advocacy exercise	Skeleton arguments to be lodged by 21 August 2017 to aaron.dolan@southeastcircuit.org.uk
13.00 - 14.00 Hall	LUNCH	V
14.00 - 15.00 Breakout rooms	Exercise 4 Continued	
15.00 - 15.30 Douglas price Room	TEA and preparation for replay	
15.30-16.00 Breakout rooms	Exercise 4 – Appellate / Submission Advocacy Replay	
16.00 - 17.00 O'Reilly Theatre	Talk and demonstration on use of interpreters	Brooke Townsley (presentation) Sabine Braun (demonstration)
17.00 - 19.30	Preparation for next day	All Participants must ensure they have viewed the ICCA Training Films before Thursday morning – you can view the relevant training films <u>HERE</u> .
17.00 - 17.30 Douglas Price Room	Faculty and helpers review progress and trial pairings	
19.30 Hall	DINNER	

Thursday 31 August 2017		
07.45 Hall 08.45 - 09.15 O'Reilly Theatre and Jean Robinson Room	BREAKFAST  Trial pairings and trial instructions	Criminal participants: O'Reilly Theatre Civil participants:
09.15 - 09.45 09.45 - 11.45 Breakout rooms	Prep time Exercise 5: Criminal Practitioners (and one	Jean Robinson  Criminal groups: Each participant should be prepared to conduct examination and cross-
	civil group) Interpreters	Civil group: Each participant should be prepared to conduct cross-examination only  Most civil participants – morning off for prep for experts / trial  Those not taking part in Exercise 5 are to prepare for the following day.
11.45 - 12.30 Douglas Price Room	TEA and prep for replay	
12.30 - 13.00 Breakout rooms	Exercise 5: Interpreters - Replay	
13.00 - 14.00 Hall	LUNCH	
14.00 - 16.00	Exercise 5: Civil Practitioners Interpreters	Each participant should be prepared to conduct cross-examination  Criminal participants (and any civil participants who did exercise 5 in the morning) – afternoon off for prep for experts / trial  Those not taking part in Exercise 5 are to prepare for the following day
16.00 - 16.45	TEA and prep for replay	8 - 7

6.45 - 17.15	Exercise 5: Interpreters – Replay	
17.15 - 18.15 O'Reilly Theatre	Presentation and demonstration: examination and cross-examination of experts	Grahame Aldous QC (presentation) Sarah Clarke QC (demonstration)
18.15 - 19.00	Preparation time for expert's session	
19.00 - 20.00	DINNER	
20.00 - 21.00	Meetings with the Experts.  Medical: Davitt v Lowler  Financial: Protectorit BV v Monarch plc  Criminal Participants are to approach the Cases as Civil cases.	Medical: O'Reilly Theatre Sarah Clarke QC Scott Mathewson  Financial: Roy Griffiths Paul Stanley QC  Note re-ordering of Groups for Experts session.  At the end of this session, Participants in each group should allocate among themselves the topics which they intend to cover in Conference and in evidence tomorrow.

Friday 1 September		
07.45 Hall	BREAKFAST	
08.30 - 09.45 Breakout rooms and video- review rooms (H-Block)	Conferences with experts	Note reordering of groups. Each participant should have approximately 20 minutes to confer with experts. A's and B's confer separately.
09.45 - 10.00	Preparation time	Participants to use the time to review their questions and prepare for examination and cross-examination of experts
10.00 - 10.30 Douglas Price Room	COFFEE	
10.30 - 11.00 Breakout rooms and video review rooms	Further short conference with experts	Short opportunity to ask any supplementary questions of experts
11.00 - 13.00 Breakout rooms and video- review rooms	Examination and cross- examination of experts	A's examine and B's cross-examine
13.00 - 14.00 Hall	LUNCH	
14.00 - 15.45 Breakout rooms	Examination and cross- examination of experts	B's examine and A's cross-examine
15.45 - 16.15 Douglas Price Room	TEA	
16.15 - 17.15 Breakout rooms	Replay of either examination or cross-examination	Videoed but not video-reviewed
17.15 - 19.00	Free time for preparation for Saturday trials	
19.00 Liddon Quad	Reception (Lobby to Hall if wet)	
19.45 Hall	Banquet. Dress code: lounge suit (not black tie).	All participants and faculty to attend.

Saturday 2 September 2017		
08.00 Hall	BREAKFAST	
09.00 - 12.10	Civil: Cs opening 10 minutes. Evidence 55 minutes per side to be used in examination or cross-examination. Closing 15 minutes per side. The judge will allow a break of 10 minutes after conclusion of the evidence before closing. Trials to conclude by 11.40, followed by review.  Criminal: Prosecution opening 10 minutes. Evidence 60 minutes per side. The judge will allow a break of 10 minutes after the conclusion of evidence before closing. Closing 10 minutes per side. No summing up.  Jury retires by 11.40.	Robes are not required.
12.30 - 13.30 Hall	LUNCH	
13.30–16.45	Afternoon trials. Same timings as morning, with trials to conclude by 16.10, followed by review.	
16.45 O'Reilly Theatre	Closing session.	Attendance is compulsory.