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a workshop with
Marion Smith and Kate Grange
At: Thirty Nine Essex Street Chambers, 39 Essex Street, London WC2R 3AT
Wednesday 22nd June
Time: 6.00 p.m.
The seminar will be followed by refreshments.

This highly practical session will look at the issues facing the legal team when dealing with expert evidence in the light of a number of very important developments in the recent case law. The topics to be covered include:

- Expert immunity, and the implications of the decision in *Jones v. Kaney* (2011)
- Legal professional privilege and experts’ reports after *Ricky-Edwards-Tubb v. JD Wetherspoon Plc* (2011)
- Selecting the right expert, and the guidance in *BSkyB Ltd v. HP Enterprise Services UK Ltd* and *Henderson, Butler and Oyediran v. R* (2010)
- The need for expert input before alleging negligence since *Pantelli Associates Ltd v. Corporate City Developments Number Two Ltd* (2010)
- Objective unbiased opinion, in the light of *Stanley v. Rawlinson* (2011)
- Dealing with joint experts after *Thorpes v. Fellowes* (2011)

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**Marion Smith** specialises in dispute resolution in the commercial arena. She is an advocate experienced at handling a broad range of contentious work, including complex multi-party disputes. The main emphasis of her practice is:

- Commercial litigation involving business contracts of most types;
- Construction disputes, arising out of the major standard forms of building and engineering contracts, associated performance bonds and guarantees and bespoke construction contracts.; and
- Professional negligence and regulatory matters, especially those involving accountants, lawyers, construction professionals, surveyors and valuers.

Her commercial approach "provides a significant tactical advantage for clients" and "she has an immensely close attention to detail that enables one to see a case in quite a different way from first perceptions", Chambers & Partners 2010. Marion's "advocacy is excellent", Legal 500 2009. She was described by the Legal 500 2008, as "brilliant".

**Kate Grange** is a barrister at Thirty Nine Essex Street specialising in construction and engineering law. She is cited as one of the leading juniors in this field: Chambers & Partners describe her as "a delight to work with," and lawyers find the level of enthusiasm that she displays for her cases to be "particularly refreshing" (2010). She has also been described as "bright, tough and a pleasure to work with" (2009). The Legal 500 2009 states that she is "a really good junior – tenacious and unfazed by complexity". Her more substantial cases have included a high profile and long running TCC action arising out of the construction of a wood-chip board manufacturing facility in Scotland, and two arbitrations regarding open-cast mining operations in the South Wales coalfields.

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