

# **Civil Justice Reform: the journey so far and the road ahead**

**Wednesday 29 January 2020**

**ABI, One America Square, 17 Crosswall, London, EC3N  
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With the passing of the Civil Liability Act, the announcement of the new Personal Injury Discount Rate in August 2019 and the imminent changes to the compensation regime for soft tissue injuries coming into place in April 2020, this event provides an excellent opportunity to look back at how the reform process has worked and look ahead to what challenges still remain. We will consider the review of the Discount Rate and what this means for future reviews, injured claimants and the cost of motor insurance. We will also assess progress on the new portal for small claims track personal injury claims and the what the post-April 2020 compensation regime and claims process will look like.

13:15	<b>Registration and Networking</b>
13:45	<b>Welcome</b>
	James Dalton, Director of General Insurance Policy, ABI
13:50	<b>Keynote Address One</b>
	Rt Hon Lord Faulks QC
14:10	<b>Introduction to the Personal Injury Discount Rate</b>
	Martin Clarke, Government Actuary, Government Actuary's Department
14:20	<b>Panel One – Discount Rate</b>
	Chair: James Dalton, Director of General Insurance Policy, ABI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Martin Clarke, Government Actuary, Government Actuary's Department</li> <li>• Carolyn Mackenzie, Director, Complex Claims, RSA</li> <li>• Gus Park, Managing Director of Motor, Underwriting &amp; Pricing, Direct Line Group</li> <li>• Andrew Parker, Partner, DAC Beachcroft</li> </ul>
15:10	<b>Networking Break</b>
15:35	<b>Keynote Address Two</b>
	Dominic Clayden, Chief Executive, Motor Insurers' Bureau
16:05	<b>Panel Two - Whiplash</b>
	Chair: Natalie Larnder, Senior Policy Adviser, General Insurance, ABI <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• David Bott, Senior Partner, Bott and Co</li> <li>• Dominic Clayden, Chief Executive, Motor Insurers' Bureau</li> <li>• Sarah Crowther QC, Barrister, Outer Temple Chambers</li> <li>• David Parkin, Deputy Director, Civil Justice and Law Policy, Ministry of Justice</li> </ul>
16:55	<b>Concluding Remarks and Close</b>
	James Dalton, Director of General Insurance Policy, ABI
17:00	<b>Networking Drinks Reception</b>