

Civil Justice Reform – The Road Ahead

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**ABI, One America Square, 17 Crosswall, London, EC3N
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Following years of significant change in bodily injury compensation, this event at the ABI offices will provide an excellent opportunity to look forward and consider what we can expect from civil justice reform in the future – including the next personal injury discount rate review in England and Wales in 2024, and then beyond. We will consider the potential for a dual discount rate model, and other factors relevant to the setting of the rate such as tax, management expenses and investment portfolios. We will also consider potential changes to the road traffic accident medical reporting process and the future for low value personal injury claims, along with what changes we might be able to expect to legal costs and procedure.

13:00	Registration
13:30	Welcome/introduction
	Mark Shepherd, Assistant Director - Head of General Insurance Policy, ABI
13:45	Keynote address one – Next Personal Injury Discount Rate Review
	Stephen Humphrey, Actuarial Director, Government Actuary's Department
14:10	Panel session one – Next Personal Injury Discount Rate Review
	<p>What can we expect from the next personal injury discount rate review?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prudence • Potential for a dual rate model • Actual investment behaviours/returns • Tax and management expenses • Investment portfolios • Inflation and economic scenarios <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHAIR: Mark Shepherd, Assistant Director - Head of General Insurance Policy, ABI • Michael White, Head of Complex Liability, Zurich • Joanna Folan, Legal Director, DAC Beachcroft • Mohammad Khan, Partner, PwC • Carolyn Mackenzie, Complex & Commercial Claims Director, RSA Insurance
15:00	Networking break
15:25	Keynote address two – The Future of Civil Justice Reform
	Sir Robert Buckland KBE KC MP
15:50	Panel session two – The Future of Civil Justice Reform
	<p>What can we expect from civil justice reform in the future?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JCG/whiplash tariff reviews • RTA medical reporting process • Future for low value personal injury claims/the OIC portal • Extension of fixed recoverable costs • Future guideline hourly rates review • Pre-action protocol review <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CHAIR: Mark Shepherd, Assistant Director - Head of General Insurance Policy, ABI • Emma Fuller, Partner – Head of Motor and Casualty Market Strategy, DAC Beachcroft • Lee Watts, Director of Technical Claims, Allianz

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steven Jarman, Deputy Director for Civil Justice and Law Policy, Ministry of Justice • Donna Scully, Director, Carpenters Group
16:40	Closing Remarks
	Mark Shepherd, Assistant Director - Head of General Insurance Policy, ABI
16:45	Close of event and followed by networking drinks