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Peter Williams, Training Consultant, Falco Legal Training Limited

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Mathew Ditchburn, Partner, Real Estate Disputes, Hogan Lovells (All venues except Nottingham)

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8.45 - 9.20am REGISTRATION

LANDLORD AND TENANT CASE LAW UPDATE

is talk will review some of the most significant recent case law.

- The content may vary slightly to reflect the latest cases but will include: How a tenant's behaviour can affect its lease renewal rights: Lie v Mohile
- Issues on calculating service charges and crediting provisional sums: Friends Life Management Services Ltd v A & A Express Building Ltd
- Apportionment of rent paid in advance on a tenant's administration: Pillar Denton Ltd & others v Jervis & others
- Breaches of dilapidations pre-action protocol considered: Courtwell Properties Ltd v Greencore PF (UK) Ltd
- Conflicting obligations in a commercial lease: Century Projects Ltd v Almacantar (Centre Point) Ltd & others John Beckett, Solicitor, Consultant and Legal Lecturer

NEGLIGENT VALUATIONS

We all make mistakes, sometimes through carelessness, sometimes because we are not as competent as we thought. Some mistakes are unforgivable. But not all mistakes are negligent. There are lessons to be learned from recent cases, including:

- Property valued at €135m sold for just €22.5m *Titan Europe v Colliers International (2014)*Negligent valuer gets contribution from negligent solicitors *E.Surv v Goldsmith Williams (2014)*
- Damages may include those due to a fall in market values John Grimes Partnership v Gubbins (2013)
- The impact of tax on valuation at Chatham Historic Dockyard *Capita v Drivers Jonas* (2012)
- Appropriate comparables, margin for error Paratus AMC v Countrywide (2011)
- Does a bank valuer owe a duty of care to the buy-to-let borrower? Scullion v Bank of Scotland (t/a Colleys) (2011)
- Paul Clark, Consultant, Cripps LLP

THE NEW MODEL COMMERCIAL LEASE - SPEEDING UP LEASE NEGOTIATION

The new Model Commercial Lease (MCL) is an initiative from the property industry itself and is intended to speed up lease negotiations. This session will introduce you to the MCL and consider its advantages and disadvantages.

- An overview of the MCL
- An outline of the MCL's main provisions including repair, alterations, rent review and service charge
- How the MCL measures up to the Code for Leasing Business Premises
- A comparison of the MCL against other standard commercial letting documents
- Advantages and disadvantages of using the MCL

Peter Williams, Training Consultant, Falco Legal Training Limited

THE ADR REVOLUTION - RESOLVING DISPUTES AFTER THE GOVERNMENT'S CIVIL JUSTICE REFORMS

Costs sanctions under the Civil Justice Reforms have meant that mediation can no longer be ignored, and new rules on costs recovery now make arbitration a real alternative to litigation for property disputes. As a result, ADR is one of the most topical issues facing clients and professionals at the present time. What does the new court regime mean for mediation and arbitration?

Mediation - to facilitate settlements

- The duty to engage: PGF II SA v OMFS 2013 Invitations and responses
- When is the right time to mediate and what information do you need?
- What works and what doesn't
- Settlement agreements

Arbitration - for decisions with a fair process

- How to tailor processes to your requirements
- Sanctions for delay and for failure to comply with directions

Lesley Webber, Consultant, Fieldfisher LLP

DEVELOPMENT DISPUTES - TIPS AND TRAPS WHEN DEVELOPING PROPERTY

The economic recovery brings renewed focus on development related disputes. Developers need to plan ahead, be aware of the potential pitfalls and know how to tackle them so they can be ready to proceed as soon as the time is right. This talk will cover some of the more frequently encountered development traps that can hold up schemes if they are not tackled at an early stage, including:

- Legal obstacles to overcome before developers can gain vacant possession of a site the circumstances in which the landowner can oppose renewal under the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954
- The risk of an injunction being obtained to restrain an actual or anticipated infringement of rights to light
- Tackling restrictive covenants by an application for modification or release and the role of indemnity insurance
- Enfranchisement recent case law and dealing with rights through different lease structures
- Tenants' pre-emption rights in mixed use schemes and the potential consequences of failing to follow the correct procedure

Mathew Ditchburn, Partner, Real Estate Disputes, Hogan Lovells This talk will be presented at Leeds, Basildon and Peterborough only

SUSTAINABILITY - FROM PROBLEMS TO SOLUTIONS

Rising operating costs, reporting obligations and minimum performance requirements mean that the sustainability of commercial properties must be measured, reported and improved. Surveyors need to navigate regulatory, investor and occupier demands and provide solutions that add value.

- Sustainability in the context of Real Estate
- 2018 minimum energy performance standards (MEPS) regulations implications of the Government consultation
- Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme (ESOS) and the potential impact of this regulation in the market
- Addressing some of the key problems in sustainability and looking at how the industry are taking action to manage risks and improve performance - what is a sustainable asset plan and what are the implications for fund, asset, property and facilities managers?

Alastair Mant, Head of Sustainability, Bilfinger GVA (Basildon and Nottingham)

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SECURING PLANNING PERMISSION - IGNORE THE POLITICS AT YOUR PERIL

Local councillors have the final say on the first stage of the planning process. Property professionals can save their clients time and money by recognising and addressing this fact early on. Here's how:

- What to look for in the local political environment
- Timing your planning applications
- Which councillors count?
- What influences a councillor?

How to put your clients' case to councillors.

Stephen Byfield, Managing Director, PPS Group

5.00pm CLOSE OF PROCEEDINGS

Please be aware that the above does not necessarily reflect the exact order of the subjects on the day.