

E-disclosure - the rules, the practice and the benefits



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May, June, July

4.00pm - registration & refreshments, 4.30pm - 6.30pm seminar

2 CPD hours

The courts are adopting a more rigorous approach to disclosure under Part 31 CPR. Disclosure increasingly means electronic disclosure, so the subject sits at the cross-roads of two technical subjects - the rules and the technology. Litigation solicitors need to understand the relationship between these two subjects. The rules require discussion between parties at an early stage, and the court cannot fulfill its duty to meet the overriding objective without an informed picture from the parties. Properly used, the rules are an aid to efficient case management to the benefit of court, practitioners and clients.

Why attend?

Understand the new expectations from the courts as to disclosure, the problems inherent in electronic document collections of whatever size, and the solutions which exist to help with them.

The session will include:

- The formal disclosure obligations as applied to electronic documents
- Documents and the Practice Direction to Part 31 CPR
- The management and discretionary powers of the court
- The Case Management Conference - preparation and tactics
- The resources, tools and services to help with e-Disclosure
- The professional implications - the scope of the duty and risk management factors
- Data exchange
- Future developments, including the wide potential impact of the Commercial Court Recommendations

Who should attend?

Litigation practitioners, those responsible for practice development and practice management in law firms; in-house lawyers responsible for litigation readiness and instructing outside lawyers.

Speaker:

Chris Dale qualified as a solicitor in 1980 after reading History at Oxford. Since 1993, he has been a consultant working with lawyers and with suppliers on e-Disclosure projects. His primary focus is on training and education aimed at raising awareness of the time and costs savings which e-disclosure brings, on the commercial and tactical advantages of being ready for litigation, and on what should be done in anticipation of disputes.

He has led a training session for judges responsible for the management of cases as the first phase in a new Project to bring a consistent message to everyone - corporate clients, lawyers, suppliers and judges - involved at any stage in the handling of disclosure information. He writes and talks widely on the subject. His web site and blog are the primary source of objective information on e-Disclosure in the UK.

Chris was previously a developer of litigation software and is an expert in conversion of data between litigation systems. Before that, he was a litigation partner in a London firm of solicitors.

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Thursday 15 May	Birmingham	Holiday Inn
Tuesday 3 June	Manchester	City Inn, Manchester
Thursday 5 June	Cambridge	The Trinity Centre
Tuesday 10 June	Nottingham	Albert Hall Conference Centre
Thursday 12 June	Southampton	Novotel, Southampton
Tuesday 1 July	Bristol	Armada House
Wednesday 2 July	Cardiff	Law Society Wales
Tuesday 8 July	Newcastle	Life Conference Centre
Wednesday 9 July	Leeds	Queens Hotel

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