

## PR update report



Monthly report: November 2023

Two pages

### **Summary:**

November has been a busy month, kicking off and ending with coverage in *The Times*. The start of the month saw Amy Dunkley being quoted as part of a feature on alternative legal careers, while the end of the month saw coverage of the latest member survey in *The Times*.

In addition to the survey coverage which appeared across several other titles, comment from David Bailey-Vella in response to the Master of the Rolls' guideline hourly rates comments also picked up good coverage across the legal media.

Elsewhere, our regular column appeared in the Association of District Judges Newsletter and New Law Journal, with content also submitted for the next issue of *Litigation Funding* which will appear in December.

### Press releases/comments:

Comment drafted and sent in response to Vos's comments on GHR on 17/11.

Costs Lawyers report strong year and bullish approach to fixed costs, release drafted and distributed on 24/11.

### Coverage achieved:

The Times: Alternative paths to legal career success (thetimes.co.uk) (2/11)

The Times: Print (2/11)

Association of District Judges Newsletter (Nov)

New Law Journal: https://www.newlawjournal.co.uk/content/time-for-change--146616?UID=bc0f79def789-42d9-ab66-9caf735da4b0 (17/11)

New Law Journal: PDF only (17/11)

Legal Futures: https://www.legalfutures.co.uk/latest-news/guideline-hourly-rates-to-rise-in-january-asvos-implements-cjc-review (17/11)

Commercial Dispute Resolution: Vos confirms costs increase from 2024 | Rob Harkavy | CDR Article (cdrnews.com) (17/11)



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Solicitors Journal: https://www.solicitorsjournal.com/sjarticle/association-of-costs-lawyers-accepts-the-civiljustice-councils-costs-review?pass=995488 (22/11)

New Law Journal: Costs to be uprated in line with inflation | New Law Journal | The leading weekly legal magazine (23/11)

New Law Journal: PDF only – hard copy of above (24/11)

Solicitors Journal: https://www.solicitorsjournal.com/sjarticle/costs-lawyers-report-strong-year-andbullish-approach-to-fixed-costs?pass=645876 (24/11)

Law360: https://www.law360.co.uk/articles/1769826/lawyers-bullish-on-fixed-legal-costs-following-<u>reforms</u> (24/11)

Legal Futures: https://www.legalfutures.co.uk/latest-news/costs-lawyers-bullish-about-impact-of-fixedcosts-extension (28/11)

The Times: PDF only (30/11)

The Times: London keeps hold of litigation crown (thetimes.co.uk) (30/11)

Insurance Claims: Survey indicates growth for costs lawyers - Claims Media (claimsmag.co.uk) (30/11)

### **Additional activity:**

2/11: Contacted *Partners in Costs* to see if we could draft another article.

3/11: Above commissioned 700 words for 18/12.

12/11: Edited VMH's article for *Litigation Funding* and sent to VMH for sign-off.

16/11: Above article sent to the publication.

16/11: Liaised with JR re: his next article for New Law Journal; suggestion sent and agreed with editor.

30/11: NR liaised with Lori Frecker at CLSB about article on judicial appointments

### Planned activity for December:

- Draft apprenticeships press release.
- Submit article for New Law Journal.
- Draft and submit article for *Partners in Costs* magazine.
- Await coverage in Litigation Funding and Thomson Reuters.
- Liaise with publication re: 2024 article deadlines.

#### **ENDS**