

PR update report



Monthly report: September 2019

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Summary:

A busy month with the launch of the latest survey and our ongoing article commitments. Alongside this planning is in full swing for the roundtable on 17 October.

Releases:

Costs Lawyers "see opportunities" in helping clients challenge solicitors' bills, release drafted and distributed on 2/9.

Coverage achieved:

The Times – Brief: PDF only (2/9)

Litigation Futures: <https://www.litigationfutures.com/news/costs-lawyers-see-opportunities-in-helping-clients-challenge-bills> (3/9)

New Law Journal: PDF only (6/9)

<http://disputeresolutionblog.practicallaw.com/the-importance-of-understanding-basic-costs-principles/> (13/9)

Thomson Reuters Dispute Resolution Blog: <http://disputeresolutionblog.practicallaw.com/costs-budgeting-how-is-it-working/> (26/9)

New Law Journal: PDF only (27/9)

Additional activity:

- 2/9: Sent CG's article on Brethertons to *New Law Journal*; see coverage above.
- Invites sent for roundtable. Liaised with photographer and transcriber for event. Event attendees confirmed as followed:
 - Claire Green, Chair, Association of Costs Lawyers
 - Alex Hutton QC
 - Matt Smith, Kings Chambers
 - Master Leonard

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- Circuit Judge Chris Lethem
 - Simon Murray, DWF
 - Steven Green, Irwin Mitchell
 - Andrea Barnes, Normanton Chambers
 - Jonathan Dingle, Normanton Chambers
 - Gary Barker, Chair of APIL's Costs Special Interest Group
 - Mark Friston, Hailsham Chambers
 - Senior Costs Judge Andrew Gordon-Sacker
 - Alison Paget, Kennedys
 - District Judge Ian Besford
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- 18/9: Site visit to Normanton Chambers ahead of roundtable; advised CG venue unsuitable. Venue changed to DWF's London office; KJ liaising with their team over logistics and catering.
 - Liaised with DC over his next piece for *Thomson Reuters*. Article edited and submitted on 5/9; see coverage above.
 - NR drafted additional blog on survey for *Thomson Reuters*; drafted and sent on 12/9. See coverage above.
 - Edited above blog for us in *Solicitors Journal*, sent to publication on 12/9; await coverage in October issue.
 - Drafted article on Blyth v Nelsons for *Litigation Funding* and sent on 18/9; await publication.

Planned activity for October:

- Deliver articles for *New Law Journal* and *Thomson Reuters*.
- Run roundtable.

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