

PI retainers: Charging models and cost agreements

Tuesday 19 February 2019 | 12.30-1.30pm

Online

Overview

Join our expert presenters as they discuss key considerations when drafting cost agreements for personal injury matters, to avoid costs complaints from unhappy clients

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12.20pm **Registration**

12.30pm **Charging models and costs agreements for PI retainers**



Solicitors acting in personal injury actions frequently act upon the basis that their fees will only be payable upon a compromise or judgment. Such arrangements must comply with numerous aspects of the *Legal Profession Act 2007*. Join experienced costs solicitors for a review of the charging models and costs agreements available to solicitors and clients in personal injuries matters. Key issues covered include:

- the nature of the retainer for personal injuries legal services
- costs disclosure
- formalities which must be complied with in a personal injuries costs agreement
- cooling off period
- contingent and conditional fees uplift fees
- compulsory third party motor vehicle claims and claims governed by PIPA
- worker's compensation claims
- setting aside agreements
- 50/50 rule
- sample clauses
- rights and obligations of law firms in cases of termination
- recovery of outlays
- scope of the solicitors lien
- apportionment of future payouts.

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