



### Committee Membership

If you are interested in joining any of the Liverpool Law Society's committees, please contact Ann Murphy, Committees Administrator on 0151 236 6998 or at [ann@liverpoollawsociety.org.uk](mailto:ann@liverpoollawsociety.org.uk). Please note, you must be a member of the Society to join the Management Sub-committees; however, non-members may be co-opted onto the Specialist Law Sub-committees.

### Society Membership

Membership of the Society is available to all solicitors. Other members of the legal profession, such as judges, magistrates, local court officials, barristers, bar students and legal executives, may apply for Associate Membership of the Society. To apply, simply complete an application form and return it to:-

The Chief Executive Officer, Liverpool Law Society, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, The Cotton Exchange, Edmund Street, Liverpool L3 9LQ (DX 14100)

Applications need not be supported by a member of the Society but are subject to election by the General Committee.

All memberships are subject to the Society's terms and conditions, visit [www.liverpoollawsociety.org.uk/general-terms-and-conditions](http://www.liverpoollawsociety.org.uk/general-terms-and-conditions) for details. Liverpool Law Society is registered in England and Wales, Registered Office 2nd Floor, The Cotton Exchange, Edmund Street, Liverpool, L3 9LQ, Company Number 00004302.

# Membership



Founded in 1827, Liverpool Law Society boasts a membership of over 2000 members. It is one of the largest law societies in England and Wales.

Membership is broad and varies from practitioners engaged in high value commercial work to complex charity work; from Maritime law to legal aid.



## What we do...

### Training

The Society runs an excellent and varied CPD programme with approximately 200 seminars and conferences a year in Liverpool and Chester, presented by the best local and national speakers.

- Conferences
- Seminars
- In-House Seminars
- Joint Ventures
  - Chartered Accountants
  - APIL
  - RICS
- Professional Skills Course

### Representation

The Officers, General Committee and sub-committees of the Society respond to consultation papers, keep members informed of developments and represent the needs of solicitors and the legal profession through the following: .

- Consultation Papers
- SRA
- Links with Chancery Lane
- Leadership Summit
- Court Users' Committees
- Tribunal Users' Committees
- Parliamentary Officer
- professionaliverpool
- ANWLS
- Joint IV (Birmingham, Bristol, Liverpool & Manchester law societies)
- National Council Membership

### Forum

The Society prides itself at being at the forefront of debate and has been able to communicate on behalf of its members their concerns in a number of areas both public and professional.

- Judges' Forum
- SRA
- Small Claims
- Compensation Culture/Act
- Referral Fees
- Conveyancing
- Companies Act
- Charities Act
- Conkerton Memorial Lecture
- Support for and provision of meetings for publicly funded lawyers
- Team Building
- HR Forum
- Health Clinic

### Networking

The Society organises numerous events, both formal and informal, at which members of the legal community and other professionals can meet and make useful contacts.

- Annual Dinner
- Lawyers' Spring Lunch
- Charity Summer Ball
- Legal Awards Ceremony
- Opening of the New Legal Year
- Wine Tasting
- Tripartite (Belfast, Dublin, Liverpool)
- Twinning with Mombasa Law Society
- Other local law societies' events

### Communications

There are several means by which the Society communicates with its membership, the wider legal community and the general public, in order to disseminate information.

- Liverpool Law monthly magazine
- E-newsletters
- Hard copy marketing
- President's visits to firms
- Specific issue correspondence
- Website including Members' Area
- Information conduit for other professional services

### Charities

The Society administers grants for students and for solicitors and/or their families in financial hardship, and also organises charitable educational events for the legal profession.

- Grants to impecunious solicitors
- Grants to students
- Awards of educational prizes
- Conkerton Memorial Lecture
- Public Speaking Awards
- Administration of Law Society Charities
- Fundraising activities and events

### PR

Maintaining good relations with the local community and assisting with the promotion of Liverpool and its environs is a priority

- Dedicated Public Relations Officer
- Link with Daily Post
- Press
- Law Society Gazette
- Radio Coverage
- Meeting Lord Mayor
- Selling/promoting Liverpool

### External Education Links

The Society seeks to provide guidance and assistance to all those with an interest in the law, and encourages its members to get involved in community schemes and initiatives.

- Law Fairs
- School Visits
- College of Law (on advisory board)
- Liverpool JMU and University of Liverpool
- Solicitor Mentoring Scheme
- Liverpool Lawyers for Learning-school reading
- Merseyside Schools Public Speaking Competition
- LCAN- Legal Careers Advisory NW
- Student Membership

### Other Services

In addition to the above, the Society provides the following services, many with a discounted rate for members and some at no cost.

- Merger facilitator
- Trainee conciliation service
- Links with Merseyside Juniors Lawyers Division
- Venue hire
- Video conferencing
- Discount negotiation with suppliers for goods & services
- Library signposting
- DX hosting
- Recruitment
- Find a solicitor service
- Appointment of experts
- Pastoral care
- Sponsorship opportunities