

THE ENGINEER AS AN EXPERT WITNESS

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Programme

9.30 – 9.45	Welcome and Introduction
9.45 – 10.30	The key role and duties of the Expert Witness
10.30 – 10.45	Law Reform Commission's Consultation Paper on Expert Evidence (2008)
10.45 – 11.15	Law Reform Commission's Report on Consolidation and Reform of Aspects of the Law of Evidence (2017)
11.15 – 11.30	Tea/coffee
11.30 – 11.45	The Liability of Expert Witnesses - A Case Study
11.45 – 12.15	Matters to consider when being engaged as an Expert Witness
12.15 – 12.30	Forming an excellent expert engineering opinion
12.30 – 1.00	Writing an excellent engineering report
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 15.00	Dealing with cross-examination confidently and professionally
15.00 – 15.15	Rules of the Superior Courts (Conduct of trials) 2016, Statutory Instrument 254/2016
15.15 – 15.30	Rules of the Superior Courts (Chancery and non-jury actions, Pre-trial procedures) 2016, Statutory Instrument 255/2016
15.30 – 16.00	Assessing the Engineer as an Expert Witness (20 powerful questions)
16.00 – 16.15	“Key nuggets – What I have learned today and how I will apply it”
16.15 – 17.00	Round table discussion – “What are the key items that should be included in a code of practice for Expert Witnesses?”
17.00	Close

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