



*Representing Community Lawyers*

**Legal Aid Practitioners Group**  
**Annual Conference 2008**

**Legal Aid**  
**– the next five years**

**The Guoman Tower Hotel, London**  
**10th October 2008**

Keynote speech by Lord Hunt of Kings Heath OBE

LAPG members £175 + VAT

Non members £275 + VAT

LAPG members only – 2nd and  
subsequent delegates £100 + VAT

**6 CPD Hours**

**Conference Schedule LAPG Annual Conference 10 October 2008**

## Conference Schedule 2008

09.15 – 09.45	Registration, coffee and exhibition
09.45 – 10.00	Chair's introduction
10.00 – 11.00	Keynote address from Lord Hunt of Kings Heath: The Long Term Future for Legal Aid: Vision for the Future. Questions from the audience.
11.00 – 11.20	Coffee and exhibition
11.20 – 12.30	Breakout Workshop 1
12.30 – 1.30	Lunch and exhibition
1.15 – 1.30	AGM for LAPG members only
1.30 – 3.00	LAPG Debate. The motion is 'Recent legal aid reforms and present proposals will ensure access to justice over the next five years'.  For: Carolyn Regan Chief Executive LSC Second speaker to be confirmed  Against: Steve Hynes Director Legal Action Group Second speaker to be confirmed
3.00 – 3.20	Tea
3.20 – 4.30	Breakout Workshop 2
4.30 – 5.00	Henry Bellingham Shadow Minister for Justice
5.00 – 5.15	Director LAPG Closing comments
5.15 – 6.30	Drinks reception sponsored by



### Breakout Workshop 1

Choose between:

1. Law Management Section  
Managing standards: the effect on legal practices
2. Immigration Law Update
3. Family Law
4. Session sponsored by College of Law/YLAL/LSC

### Breakout Workshop 2

Choose between:

1. Outsourcing and cutting overheads
2. Criminal law
3. CLACs and CLANs and integrated social welfare law
4. Session sponsored by College of Law/YLAL/LSC

# Details of Workshop Sessions

## Workshops A.M.

### 1. Managing standards: the effect on legal practices

The workshop will provide insight into the practical implications of practice management challenges and standards.

Speakers: Clare Jarratt, Lexcel Manager, The Law Society

Adrian Richards, Solicitor & Regulatory Compliance, Risk and Quality Manager, Stones Solicitors

Jenni Brady, Lexcel Assessor and consultant, Jenisys Development

### 2. Immigration law update including the draft Immigration and Citizenship Bill

Chair: Sajid Sheikh, Sheikh & Co. and LAPG Committee Member

Speaker: Alison Harvey General Secretary Immigration Law Practitioners' Association

### 3. Family law

Chair: Wendy Hewstone, Access Law LLP LAPG Committee Member

Speaker: David Emmerson OBE, Partner Edwards Duthie solicitors and National Committee Member of Resolution

### 4. Session sponsored by College of Law/LSC/Young Legal Aid Lawyers

This session is for students, trainees and recently qualified lawyers.

## Workshops P.M.

### 1. Outsourcing and cutting overheads

If there is a limited amount of money coming into your firm/organisation how can you limit your expenditure?

Chair: Chris Graves Fisher Jones Greenwood LLP LAPG Committee member

Speaker: Adam Makepeace, Practice Manager, Duncan Lewis

Duncan Lewis are facing the challenges of the fixed fee legal aid environment through outsourcing of a number of business functions to cut business overheads.

### 2. Criminal law practice

Chair: LAPG Committee Member

Speaker: Anthony Edwards, Senior Partner TV Edwards LLP

### 3. CLACs and CLANs and integrated social welfare law

Chair: Nicola Mackintosh, Partner Mackintosh Duncan and LAPG Committee Member

Speaker: Paul Newell Legal Services Commission Head Of Civil Policy Development (non-family)

Speaker re proposed/existing CLAC/CLAN

### 4. Session sponsored by College of Law/LSC/Young Legal Aid Lawyers

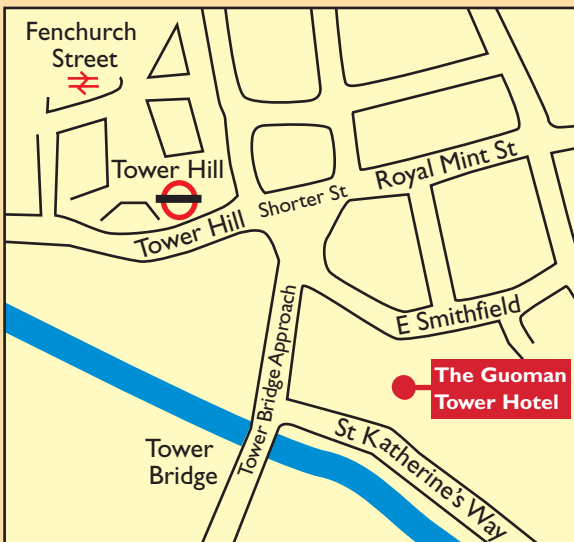
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## Venue The Guoman Tower Hotel, London E1W 1LD



### Map and Directions

#### Road

Head for Tower Bridge. Drive towards Tower Bridge as if crossing to the south of the river, straight over the first set of lights and do a U-turn at 2nd set of lights. After the traffic light controlled junction, turn left immediately into St Katherine's Way and The Tower is at the end. There are 120 car parking spaces available under the hotel at an additional charge.

#### Rail

Fenchurch Street is 0.5 miles away.

Underground: Take the District or Circle Underground line to Tower Hill Station. Exit the station via the entrance on the left, go down steps and through the subway. Turn left out of the subway, walking past the Tower of London. Take the subway under the next road and then follow signs for The Tower.



# Booking Form

To attend 'Legal Aid – The Next Five Years' on 10th October 2008 please return this registration together with a cheque payable to LAPG for the conference fee to:  
LAPG 103 Borough High Street London SE1 INL

Please send a separate form per delegate.

## Annual Conference 2008 6 CPD Points

- LAPG members: £175 + VAT (Total = £205.63)
- LAPG members only: 2nd and subsequent delegates from same firm/organisation £100 + VAT (Total = £117.50)
- Non members: £275 + VAT (Total = £323.13)

We have negotiated a discounted rate if anyone wants to stay at the hotel. This offer is available if booked before 10th September only. Room cost: £170 + VAT bed and breakfast (quote LAPG091008). Please ring the hotel directly on 08713 769 036.

### Workshops – please tick one in the morning and one in the afternoon

#### Morning

- Law Management Section  
Managing Standards – LEXCEL and the SQM
- Family
- Session sponsored by College of Law/  
YLAL/LSC
- Immigration

#### Afternoon

- Outsourcing and cutting overheads
- CLACs and CLANs and integrated social welfare law
- Crime
- Session sponsored by College of Law/  
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