

Law, Evidence & Procedure for Expert Witnesses



Most individuals who agree to act as an expert witness fail to understand the rigours and demands of the role. This one-day intensive course is essential for any person who acts as an expert witness in legal and quasi-legal proceedings including oral hearings, arbitrations, professional conduct and disciplinary hearings.

Who and Why?

Most experts are unclear as to the distinction between acting as an "expert advisor", an "expert negotiator" and an "expert witness" yet each of these roles are distinct. Experts who attend this course will leave with a clear understanding of the duties involved in their different roles and how to deal with any conflicts that may arise for them.

In addressing their duties as an expert witness, this course will teach delegates how to conduct a 1st class investigation that will stand up to challenge; what they should know about the rules of evidence and attending experts meetings. It will culminate in an examination of how an expert witness' accountability is adjudicated including an analysis of the 2011 UK Supreme Court decision in *Jones v Kaney*(2011).

Key Learning Points

- *How our adversarial system works in practice*
- *Our civil and criminal courts procedure*
- *The expert as advisor/negotiator/expert witness*
- *The duties of an expert witness*
- *Getting instructed & understanding the scope of the expert's investigation*
- *The rules of evidence*
- *What does "best evidence mean"?*
- *Proving documents, photographs, CCTV footage*
- *Experts meetings*
- *What does the ruling in Jones v Kaney mean for Expert Witnesses?*

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Government Departments & Regulatory Bodies

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- Department of Health
- EPA
- Irish Naval Service
- Irish Prison Service
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