

# **CONSTRUCTION LAW UPDATE SEMINAR**

# 9 June 2021 at 9.00am Live on Microsoft Teams

# **COVID-19:** Issues and Insight • Contract Interpretation • Brexit Negligence • Payment • Retentions & Defects • Adjudication

Having a comprehensive and up to date understanding of contractual and commercial issues is imperative. Hawkswell Kilvington are therefore presenting a seminar to update you on some key topics and issues. Book your place today.

#### The seminar will cover:

#### **COVID-19: Practical issues and advice**

 COVID-19 has and continues to cause a number of legal and practical issues for the construction industry. We will explore these in some detail and provide insight as to how entitlements are being dealt with.

#### **Contract Interpretation**

- ABC Electrification Limited v Network Rail Infrastructure Limited – what is the meaning of "default"?
- Optimus Build Ltd v Southall & McManus was it a fixed price contract or a cost-plus contract?

#### **Brexit**

- The Brexit trade deal and its impact on the construction industry
- Motacus Constructions Ltd v Paolo Castelli SPA

#### **Negligence**

 A common law duty of care - Rushbond Plc -v- The JS Design Partnership LLP

### Payment

- RGB Plastering Ltd v TAWE Drylining and Plastering Ltd

   non-compliant and ambiguous payment applications.
- JSM Construction Limited v Western Power Distribution (West Midlands) - does the absence of a final account provision rendered a payment mechanism inadequate?

#### **Retentions & Defects**

 Dr Jones Yeovil -v- The Stepping Stone Group Limited — claiming retention under a JCT contract where a Making Good Certificate had not yet been issued.

#### **Adjudication**

- A new benchmark for waiver in adjudication? Aqua Leisure International Limited v Benchmark Leisure
- Material breaches of the rules of natural justice Global Switch Estates 1 Limited v Sudlows Limited
- The enforcement of an adjudicator's decision in favour of an insolvent company - John Doyle Construction Limited v Erith Contractors Limited
- What is adequate security? Styles & Wood Limited (in administration)
   v GE CIF Trustees Limited
- Jurisdictional challenges and reserving your position Hochtief Solutions AG and others v Maspero Elevatori S.p.A
- Did the adjudicator exhaust his jurisdiction? Barhale Ltd v SP Transmission plc
- Was the adjudicator validly appointed? Lane End Developments Construction Limited -v- Kingstone Civil Engineering Limited

## Who Attends?

Contractors, sub-contractors, developers, project managers, house builders, funders, public bodies, modular builders, local authorities, airports, schools, health trusts, trade associations, architects, quantity surveyors, engineers, insurers, brokers, finance directors, commercial directors, construction directors, chemical and oil companies and utility network operators.

#### **How to Book**

If you would like to make a booking, please contact Claire Crawshaw by email (<a href="mailto:ccrawshaw@hklegal.co.uk">ccrawshaw@hklegal.co.uk</a>). Places are strictly limited.

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