

**THE DUBLIN SOLICITORS BAR ASSOCIATION
CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR**

SIX NATIONS BREAKFAST LEGAL BRIEFING

24 February 2024

10.00am to 1.00pm

Sandymount Hotel,

Herbert Road,

Dublin 4 (*Distance to Aviva Stadium 350 meters*)

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Introduction by Chairperson

Susan Ahern BL

Susan is a barrister specialising in sports law, investigations and regulation, an accredited mediator, and commercial arbitrator. She is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and former Chair of the Sports Law Bar Association of Ireland. She is an arbitrator at the Court of Arbitration for Sport and was appointed to the CAS Anti-Doping Division for the Tokyo Olympic Games. Susan is the Independent Judicial Chair of World Wheelchair Rugby, the Independent Deputy Chair of the Irish Horseracing Regulatory Authority Appeals Board and member of the British Horseracing Authority Appeal Panel. She was formerly Head of Legal and Legislative Affairs for World Rugby and General Counsel of Rugby World Cup Limited.

"Living in Song and Story: Navigating Sponsorship Agreements, Media Rights, and Legal Frameworks"

Presented by Sean Brassil, Senior Legal Counsel, Irish Rugby Football Union (IRFU)

Sean Brassil serves as the Senior Legal Counsel at the Irish Rugby Football Union, where he is responsible for overseeing all commercial legal matters. His expertise includes the drafting and negotiation of sponsorship and media rights agreements, as well as safeguarding the IRFU's intellectual property and trademark rights. Additionally, Sean holds a position as Director of Sports Dispute Solutions Ireland. After being called to the Bar in 2012, Sean practiced as a barrister for four years prior to joining the IRFU as a legal advisor in 2015.

"Answering Ireland's Call: Understanding Rugby Player Contracts, Employment Rights, and the Collective Bargaining Agreement"

Presented by Peter McKenna, Solicitor, McKenna Durcan Solicitors

Peter McKenna, a former professional rugby player for Leinster and Ireland, co-founded Rugby Players Ireland, formerly known as the Irish Rugby Union Players' Association (IRUPA). He transitioned to law, founding McKenna Durcan Solicitors in 2006, a firm specializing in employment, sports, and corporate law. Peter is also actively involved with the Law Society of Ireland's Technology Committee, contributing his expertise to the intersection of law and sports.

"One for all and all together: Navigating the World Rugby Charter, Regulation 17 and Disciplinary proceedings"

Presented by Brian Hammond, Legal Counsel, World Rugby

Brian Hammond brings his expertise in Public and Regulatory Law to World Rugby, the international governing body for rugby union, where he was appointed Legal Counsel. His responsibilities include advising on various legal matters and serving as an Officer in Disciplinary Hearings. Brian's legal career began with training at Fieldfisher Solicitors, leading to his current role where he also contributes to the Leinster Branch Appeals Committee and the FAI Disciplinary Committee.

Panel Discussion, Close by Chair, Kick off at the Aviva Stadium 2.15 pm



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Conference Information

Date: 24 February 2024
Time: 10.00am to 1.00pm
Location: **Sandymount Hotel,
Herbert Road,
Dublin 4** (*Distance to Aviva Stadium 350 meters*).

Fees: € 125.00 Member
€ 225.00 Non-Member

CPD: **3 Hour Group Study**

Conference Registration Form (Family)

Please complete the registration form below and send this with your payment to:-

**Maura Smith, Dublin Solicitors Bar Association, Unit 206, The Capel Building, Mary's Abbey, Dublin 7. Dx 200206
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