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LEGAL PERSPECTIVES ON GENERATIVE AI – FROM LEGAL PRIVILEGE TO CONTRACTS TO PUBLICATION & DEFAMATION

28th April 2026

12.00pm to 2.00pm

Via Webinar

THIS WEBINAR WILL BE CHAIRED BY MS. JUSTICE EILEEN ROBERTS

Publication and defamation in the context of a generative AI tool and the growing problem of AI "hallucinations" in court proceedings – Michael O’Doherty

Practical suggestions on using AI in contract negotiation and drafting without a bespoke AI contracts tool - John O’Keeffe

Litigation Privilege in the Age of AI - Donna O’Leary.

SPEAKERS

Michael O’Doherty is a practising barrister, with a special interest in the law governing new technologies. He is the author of the legal text book "Internet Law", published by Bloomsbury Professional, and is the co-founder and current Chair of MIDBA - the Media, Internet and Data Protection Bar Association - which runs regular seminars for legal professionals with an interest in those areas of law, and recently hosted a seminar on the new Defamation (Amendment) Act 2026.

Michael lectures on Internet Law in the UCD Sutherland School of Law and King's Inns, gives regular talks to legal professionals on the developing law concerning the internet and social media, helped create the "Social Media and the Law" course for the Law Society of Ireland, and has authored several journal articles on the topics of defamation and technology law.

John O’Keeffe is a sole practitioner and qualified as a Solicitor in 1999. He primarily practices in property, business, and employment law. He lectures and tutors for the Law Society of Ireland in topics such as business law, commercial drafting and data protection.

Donna O’Leary, Solicitor and Founder of DOL Consultancy

Donna is a dual qualified solicitor, admitted in Ireland and England & Wales, and now works as an AI consultant specialising in readiness, adoption strategy and risk management. She advises senior management teams on the steps required before adopting AI tools including governance, compliance, vendor selection and implementation planning. Alongside her strategic advisory work, Donna designs and delivers training and upskilling programmes that empower practitioners and cross functional teams to use AI effectively and responsibly.

CHAIRPERSON

Ms. Justice Roberts is a High Court Judge appointed in July 2022 and currently a judge in the Commercial Court. She was appointed as a part time Commissioner to the Law Reform Commission in February 2024. She previously was the Chair of A&L Goodbody 2019-2022 and a Partner in A&L Goodbody's Litigation and Dispute Resolution Department since 2000.



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