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WILBERFORCE BVI CONFERENCE AND DRINKS PARTY

Thursday 29 September 2016 – Peter Island Resort, BVI

Welcome Drinks & Registration	4.30pm
Conference	5.00pm
BBQ Dinner	7.00pm onwards

Members of Wilberforce Chambers are delighted to invite you to our afternoon conference on Thursday 29 September.

The conference will include short-talks and workshops which will present opportunities for questions and general discussion. Following the conference we would be delighted if you could join us for a drinks reception and BBQ buffet dinner from 7.00pm.

Speakers:

John Wardell QC
Gilead Cooper QC
Lexa Hilliard QC
Martin Hutchings QC
Marcia Shekerdemian QC
Clare Stanley QC
Jonathan Hilliard QC
Graeme Halkerston
Andrew Child
Tom Roscoe

RSVP

To book a place on this conference please email your full contact details to Naomi Shogbola on

nshogbola@wilberforce.co.uk or **seminars@wilberforce.co.uk**

Please do let us know if you will be joining us for the evening BBQ buffet dinner and drinks reception.

Please see full timetable overleaf >>

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TRAVEL INFORMATION

A special service ferry will depart Tortola at 4.00pm (an additional ferry will run at 5.00pm)
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Thursday 29 September 2016

4.00pm Ferry Departs from Tortola

4.30pm Registration
(Refreshments will be served)

5.00pm Welcome and introduction from the Chairman
Gilead Cooper QC

5.05pm Submission to the Jurisidction
Clare Stanley QC

– Refresher: Enforcement of foreign judgments at common law.
– Discussion: what conduct does/does not amount to "submission" to the jurisdiction of the foreign court?
– Mistaken submission to the jurisdiction of the court and how to fix it.
– Common law waiver of right to challenge jurisdiction, ability to amend / withdraw an acknowledgement of service.

5.20pm Declarations in offshore courts in parallel to ongoing onshore proceedings
Graeme Halkerston

– A technique to allow offshore team to play greater role in disputes.
– A review of recent English developments.
– What can a declaration achieve?
– What sort of issues are suitable for such applications?

5.40pm Workshops

A choice of three workshops will be available for delegates, please choose 1 from the list and ensure you mention this when booking by email.

5.40pm Workshop 1
Disputes over trusts that hold corporate structures

– What can go wrong?
– To what extent can you exclude responsibility for intervening in light of *Appleby v Citco* (2014, BVI)?
– Using trust company employees as directors.
– Getting information- *In the matter of R&RA* (2014, Guernsey CA)

5.40pm Workshop 2
Cross border issues in arbitration and insolvency

– Which comes first, the arbitration or the insolvency?
– To stay or not to stay?
– The UNCITRAL model law on insolvency and practical implications.

5.40pm Workshop 3
Breaking Privilege: The Fraud Exception

– What conduct engages the exception: is fraud required?
– How strong a case is need that the conduct took place?
– What communications are covered?

6.30pm "The 5 minute Pitch"
Chaired by Tom Roscoe

Wilberforce Silks will pick a recent case and attempt in turn to persuade you that it is the most important case from a BVI perspective. They will have 5 minutes each. Who is the most effective? You, the audience, will decide.

6.55pm Closing remarks from Gilead Cooper QC

7.00pm BBQ and Drinks Reception

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