



IRLA BREAKFAST BRIEFING

Disease & Dishonesty

13 October 2026 – 08:45 – 10:00

Overview

Fundamental dishonesty is well established in accident litigation but is often overlooked in occupational disease claims. This session explores why disease claims can present fertile ground for dishonest or exaggerated allegations, examines developing case law, and provides practical guidance on identifying, investigating and successfully pursuing fundamental dishonesty arguments. Based on real case examples and insurer experience, our speakers will discuss common indicators of dishonesty, evidential challenges unique to disease claims, and effective strategies for building a robust defence.

Target audience

Insurers with disease claims exposure, claims handlers of any level, lawyers and service providers interested in the topic.

All workshop trainers have many years' practical experience in their professional fields, and their real-life practical responses to some of the workshop's do's and don'ts will help every delegate. Biographies can be found on the event page of our website.

Programme

- 08:45** Registration
- 09:00** Welcome & introduction, **Gian Luigi Di Franco, IRLA Director**
- 09:05** Fundamental Dishonesty in Disease Claims, **Doug Cooper, Deans Court Chambers**
- 09:45** Investigations & Part 18 questions, **Clare Davis, Clyde & Co**
- 09:55** Closing & thank you, **Gian Luigi Di Franco, IRLA Director**

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Venue

America Square
Conference Centre,
1 America Square,
London, EC3N 2LB

Cost

FREE to IRLA members.
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