

Higher Rights of Audience

2009 Course Programme

BPP Professional Development - Developing Professionals

NEW for 2009: Now offering training for both the Criminal and Civil courts.

Book before 31st December and benefit from the following special rates:

Stage 1 - £650

Stage 1 & 2 - £1895

Stage 2 - £1195

Stage 2 Assessment - £350

Call **0845 833 7278** or e-mail enquiries@bpp.com for more information or to make your booking.

0845 644 5979

enquiries@bpp.com

www.bpp.com



Fewer than 2,500 of the solicitors in England and Wales have Higher Rights of Audience in the Criminal Courts and Civil Courts - make sure you are one of this select group.

Don't miss out on the opportunity to:

- Increase your ability to offer your clients an all-round litigation service
- Avoid the time and expense of instructing counsel
- Compete with other solicitors for more business by becoming a solicitor advocate

Higher rights is a qualification that lasts a lifetime.

Higher Rights Routes to Qualification

Appearing in High Court trials, the Court of Appeal and the House of Lords used to be a right reserved to barristers - however solicitors and trainee solicitors can now apply for the right to appear in these venues as 'solicitor advocates'.

BPP are accredited by the Solicitors Regulation Authority to provide the training and assessment necessary to become a solicitor advocate. We have a highly experienced teaching team of solicitors, solicitor advocates and barristers, as well as comprehensive course materials.

Under the Higher Court Qualification Regulations 2000 there are three ways for solicitors to obtain rights of audience in the Higher Courts, as follows:

Development Route

This route is appropriate if you are under three years qualified, or do not currently satisfy the experience requirements of the other two routes. It can be undertaken by trainee solicitors after the successful completion of the Legal Practice Course. You can specialise in either civil or criminal proceedings, but will still be qualified to appear in either.

This route involves completing the following:

- **STAGE 1 - PROCEDURE, ETHICS & EVIDENCE**

This is the academic stage of the training. It includes 3 days of training and a 2 hour 15 minute written examination in procedure, ethics and evidence. You can specialise in either civil or criminal proceedings, but some time will be spent on your non-specialist subject.

- **STAGE 2 - ADVOCACY**

Includes 3 days of training and a written and an oral assessment in Higher Court advocacy skills. You can specialise in either civil or criminal proceedings, but some time will be spent on your non-specialist subject.

Accreditation Route

This route is suitable for those solicitors who have been practising for at least three years.

If you wish to choose this route you must first obtain a certificate of eligibility from the Solicitors Regulation Authority. To obtain this you must document that you have suitable advocacy or judicial experience and are suitably experienced and qualified to exercise rights of audience before the Higher Courts.

This route then involves completing STAGE 2 - Advocacy of the Development Route. Again you can specialise in either civil or criminal proceedings, but some time will be spent on your non-specialist subject.

Exemption Route

This route is only suitable for those who can demonstrate to the Solicitors Regulation Authority extensive experience of advocacy in the Higher Courts of England and Wales, or a comparable jurisdiction relevant to the award for which you intend to apply. There is no written or oral assessment for this route. Contact the Solicitors Regulation Authority for further details.

Make arranging your CPD easy - let BPP do it for you!

Don't waste your precious time and effort arranging your CPD. Simply let us know your requirements (areas of specialism, CPD hours, location, etc.) and we will provide you with a FREE, no obligation, CPD Plan. To access this service visit www.bpp.com/cpdplanner or contact our Client Care Team on 0845 644 5979.



Higher Rights Programme & Booking Form 2009

All courses and assessments are currently based in London. Please tick the appropriate boxes.

Development Route	Price	
Stage 1 and 2	£1895 + VAT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stage 1 only	£650 + VAT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stage 2 only	£1195 + VAT	<input type="checkbox"/>

Accreditation Route	Price	
Stage 2	£1195 + VAT	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advocacy Assessment	£350 + VAT	<input type="checkbox"/>

Stage 1 - Procedure, Ethics & Evidence	Stage 2 - Advocacy
Dates - Civil:	Dates - Civil:
Course: 04 Nov 2009 - 06 Nov 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>	Course: 30 Sep 2009 - 02 Oct 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>
Assessment: 09 Nov 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>	Assessment: 09 Oct 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>
	Course: 16 Dec 2009 - 18 Dec 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>
	Assessment: 22 Dec 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>
Dates - Criminal:	Dates - Criminal:
Course: 02 Sept 2009 - 04 Sept 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>	Course: 02 Sep 2009 - 04 Sep 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>
Assessment: 11 Sept 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>	Assessment: 11 Sep 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>
Course: 25 Nov 2009 - 27 Nov 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>	Course: 11 Nov 2009 - 13 Nov 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>
Assessment: 04 Dec 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>	Assessment: 20 Nov 2009 <input type="checkbox"/>
	Course: 06 Jan 2010 - 08 Jan 2010 <input type="checkbox"/>
	Assessment: 15 Jan 2010 <input type="checkbox"/>

BPP Professional Education help people and businesses build their skills. We provide professional programmes to management and staff at all levels and also train for recognised professional qualifications.

Accountancy and Tax	0845 075 1100	Insolvency	0845 226 2422
Actuarial	+44 (0)1235 550005	Law School	0845 678 6868
Financial Services	+44 (0)20 7786 5999	Professional Development	0845 226 2422
Human Resources	0845 077 5566		



Sustainable Forest



Recyclable



ECF Low Chlorine

Ref: **HI4CPD**

RISK FREE BOOKING: For bookings cancelled between 14 and 4 days (by 5.30pm) prior to the course date delegates may attend another course of equivalent value free of charge. The fee is still payable and is non-refundable. For bookings cancelled 3 working days or less (by 5.30pm) inclusive of the course date, delegates may attend another course of equivalent value for an administration fee of £25 plus VAT for a half-day course or £50 plus VAT for a one day course, £100 plus VAT for a two or more day course. Delegates may be substituted at any time for no charge. A BPP Professional Development (PD) Membership cannot be cancelled or the fee refunded, the fee is payable and non-refundable even if no courses are booked. Membership discounts do not apply to administration fees. We reserve the right to vary course content and/or speakers or to cancel a course where necessary. Payment of the course fee is due prior to the course date. All cancellations MUST be in writing. For bookings cancelled at least 15 days (by 5.30pm) prior to the course date, we will refund the course fee. For bookings made 14 days or less (including the 14th day) prior to the date of the course, the fee is payable immediately and is non-refundable. Non refundable credits must be used within 12 months from date of issue. You may receive a discount of up to 50% if you (or your firm) have a valid BPP PD Membership. The discount only applies to Professional Development Courses offered by BPP Professional Education's Professional Development division. No discount is available on any courses offered by other divisions of BPP Professional Education leading to a professional qualification with any UK or overseas body. Bookings made with a BPP PD Membership are subject to the terms and conditions of the Membership scheme. E&OE. Full terms and conditions can be viewed at www.bpp.com

Booking Form

DELEGATE NAME (Mr/Ms/Miss/Mrs)

Name(s) Surname

Year Qualified Firm

Address/DX

Tel No Fax No

Email

Do you have any special needs/disability that may affect you in the event of a building evacuation whilst you are on BPP premises? Yes/No

Signed* REF: **HI4CPD** Date

I the above named* agree to abide by the BPP Professional Education Risk Free Booking Terms and Conditions

PAYMENT

MASTERCARD/VISA: Cardholders name (as it appears on the card)

Card No: / / /

Expiry Date: /

Last 3 numbers on signature strip

MAESTRO/DELTA: Cardholders name (as it appears on the card)

Card No: / / /

Issue No: Valid From: / Expiry Date: /

Last 3 numbers on signature strip

CHEQUE enclosed - payable to **BPP Professional Education**

Amount £ + VAT @ 15% Total £

TO BOOK: Return this booking form to:

BPP Professional Education,

5th Floor, Boulton House, Chorlton Street, Manchester, M1 3HY

or DX 709000 Manchester 62

Tel: 0845 644 5979 Fax: 0161 237 9650 email: enquiries@bpp.com www.bpp.com