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Welcome to our January Ewire

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In this edition, we find out about fraudulent methods used against individuals purchasing property – as well as property owners – and learn what the housing market has in store for 2016. The assessment of damages for commercial agents under the Commercial Agents Directive comes under scrutiny and we learn about transfer fees in employment.

This month's guest article comes from Laurence Wiener at Wiener Soto Capparos, and we welcome Robert Clark to the Silverman Sherliker LLP team.

Property fraud

Fraud is on the increase and fraudsters are developing new methods of targeting those in the process of buying a property, as well as those who already own properties. Bunmi Oduntan, a Trainee Solicitor in Silverman Sherliker's Residential Property department, explains the dangers and how good property lawyers avoid them.







Damages for Commercial Agents – CJEU decision

The Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) has recently reached a key decision on the assessment of damages for commercial agents under the Commercial Agents Directive. This has important implications for commercial agents, as well as principals, and provides welcome clarification on the calculation of damages available to commercial agents following termination of an agency agreement. Litigation Partner Robert Clark has the details.

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What do we expect to see in 2016 in the property market?

The housing market is a British obsession! People want to live here and investors want to invest. The vibrant City of London was thought for many years to be a 'safe haven' asset by investors, but is that all about to change? Lina Isaac, Residential Property Solicitor, makes her predictions for the year ahead.







Temp to perm – Transfer fees and continuity of service

It is estimated that in the UK there are around 1.3 million temporary workers in the UK, which is the highest number in Europe. In many instances, such work is a stepping stone to permanent employment. Employers frequently hire a temp with the intention of observing their work ethic and skills before ultimately taking them on as a permanent worker. Before hiring a temporary worker as a permanent employee, both the employment business responsible for placing the temp and the company seeking to employ the worker permanently should be aware of laws regarding transfer fees and continuity of service. Employment and Pension Solicitor Dilini Loku explains.



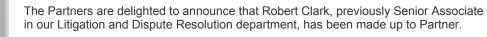
Argentina update – What you need to know about the recent lifting of currency controls

For this month's guest article, Laurence Wiener from Wiener Soto Capparos would like to share the following update on Argentina.

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Silverman Sherliker people: Robert Clark



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