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## Welcome to our May *Ewire*

At Silverman Sherliker we like to keep you up to date with ideas and information of interest to our clients and general network.

Our *Ewires* will be sent to you regularly to keep you in touch with the latest legal news.

**In home news:** We are delighted to congratulate longstanding client DynaRisk for winning the Digital Innovation award in BT's *Securing the Nation* competition. Silverman Sherliker works with, and continues to support, the UK's thriving tech industry.

And finally, we have attended the 139th Annual Conference of the International Trademark Association (INTA). Silverman Sherliker's Robert MacGinn and Nigel Parnell joined 10,000 international delegates for five days of education, strategy, and networking.

If you would like further information on any of the issues reported in this *Ewire*, please [contact us](#).

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**In this edition:** Silverman Sherliker explains the *ins and outs* of the **Landlord and Tenant Act 1954**. Our guide will walk you through the essential steps – while avoiding common mistakes - a landlord or tenant must take to end or renew a protected lease.

**Elsewhere: Common Law Marriage** is the greatest myth of all. The fact of the matter is; no couple, no matter whom or how long they've been together, are legally protected under "common law". Silverman Sherliker explores the many pitfalls associated with such a set-up.





## Attention Landlords and Tenants: A Guide to a Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 Section 26 Request to Renew a Commercial Lease

The Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 (the “Act”) governs the relationship between a landlord and a tenant who have entered into a business lease protected by the Act. Under the Act there are practical and legal steps a landlord and tenant must take to end or renew the protected lease. Section 26 of the Act (s26 request) sets out the procedure under which a tenant can renew its business tenancy.

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## The Misconception of the ‘Common Law Marriage’ – leaving unmarried couples vulnerable

It is a very common misconception that an unmarried partner has similar inheritance rights to those of a spouse/civil partner, should their partner die without leaving a Will; also known as intestate. This is not the case and the death of an unmarried partner, no matter how long the relationship was, may leave the surviving partner with nothing. Munazza Hollingsworth, a solicitor in Silverman Sherliker’s Private Client department, explains the reality.



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## Silverman Sherliker client DynaRisk wins National Digital Security Award

We are delighted to congratulate a longstanding client of the firm on its notable success in winning a prestigious industry accolade. DynaRisk has won prize for digital innovation in BT’s *Securing the Nation* competition.

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**HR, are you GDPR ready?**

The General Data Protection Regulation comes into force on 25 May 2018 (GDPR). It makes significant changes in order to harmonise Data Protection laws across the EU. It is far more extensive than the current legislation, the Data Protection Act 1998 (the Act).

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### Featured in the Telegraph.co.uk: “Should I exploit pensions tax loophole caused by the election?”

Jennie Kreser, a partner at Silverman Sherliker, was featured in a recent article. Please read the full article here: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/pensions-retirement/tax-retirement/should-exploit-pensions-tax-loophole-caused-election/>

### INTA 2017: the IP world gathers in Barcelona

This month saw more than 10,000 delegates gather from around the world for the 139th Annual Conference of the International Trademark Association (“INTA”). Held in Barcelona from 20-24 May the event saw our team at Silverman Sherliker, which included Robert MacGinn and Nigel Parnell, share their expertise with an international delegation of businesses and firms.

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### What’s on your mind?

Is there any particular topic or area of law (business, private client or family matters) that you would like to see us focus on in a future edition of *Ewire*?

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