



Welcome to our May Ewire

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Guest article: Finally, this month's guest article comes from Jamie P Morgan at Initia Management who conveys what the Conservative majority win means for the London property market.

In this edition, we find out about The Consumer Rights Act 2015 and the changes it brings, as well as the benefits of cross-border mediation, the demise of the mansion tax and the importance of brand identity and recognition. As well as finding out about Nicholas Lakeland's recent interviews with LexisNexis, we look back on World Intellectual Property Day, which recently took place in London. In addition, there is a focus on dilapidations and what they mean for both the property owner and the renter.

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Retailers and suppliers: Are you ready for The Consumer Rights Act 2015?

As an important new Act of Parliament brings together all consumer rights in



one place, Jonathan Silverman considers how it will affect businesses and their customers.

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Cross-border mediation within the European Union

Many jurisdictions now require parties involved in a dispute to use Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) to try to resolve their dispute before resorting to the courts. John Abbott, Head of Dispute Resolution, explains.

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Pensions expert speaks at WP Live

Silverman Sherliker LLP's Jennie Kreser has been speaking on a panel at a pensions conference called Workplace Pensions Live 2015.

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Adoption- A speedier solution? By Stala Charalambous

The State Opening of Parliament for the 2015-16 session is set to take place on Wednesday 27 May 2015. Stala Charalambous, our Head of Family Law, highlights an expected provision aimed at improving adoption procedures.

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The election aftermath: The demise of the mansion tax

The mansion tax, which was proposed by Labour to meet the NHS deficit, would have seen an annual levy of 1% on homes worth £2 million or over, with this annual charge increasing further still for homes worth over £3 million. Now, with Labour's recent electoral defeat, the fears of many homeowners, especially in London, have been allayed. Property solicitor Jade Saward predicts what this means for residential buyers and sellers.

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Is the 'Sky' falling in for Skype?

The latest round in a long running battle of the brands has resulted in a decision that has surprised many. Senior trade mark attorney, Nigel Parnell, brings the story up to date.

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LexisNexis interviews Silverman Sherliker partner

Silverman Sherliker LLP's Nicholas Lakeland was recently invited to give two interviews to LexisNexis.

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International IP community marks World Intellectual Property Day in London

World Intellectual Property Day was this year celebrated on 23 April, and Silverman Sherliker LLP was again delighted to co-sponsor the event as in previous years.

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Property disputes: what landlords and tenants need to know about dilapidation claims

Senior associate Robert Clark outlines one of the most common causes of property disputes, how to avoid some of the pitfalls, and how to deal with problems when they arise.

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Need-to-Know seminar: Dilapidations

Silverman Sherkler LLP is very pleased to announce its first property litigation seminar.

Robert Clark (Senior Associate) and John Abbott (Partner and Head of Litigation), will be jointly presenting a complementary seminar on Dilapidations on Wednesday 24 June 2015, at 5.30 pm, at our City offices; 7 Bath Place, London, EC2A 3DR.

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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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Post-election London property market

David Cameron's unexpected majority victory in the 2015 election is generally seen as great news for the London property market. In this brief

guest article, property specialists Initia Management set out the likely effects.

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