

Disrupting Disputes Speaker Biographies

Below are the speaker biographies for those participating in the panel discussion at Womble Bond Dickinson's forthcoming Disrupting Disputes conference.

Sir Robert Akenhead, formerly head of Technology and Construction Court

Sir Robert Akenhead was in full-time international practice as junior, from 1972 until 2007 and from 1989 as leading counsel, at Atkin Chambers based in London. During that period he also developed an international ADR practice as arbitrator, mediator and DRB board member, accepting appointments in London, Dubai and Pakistan under the International Chamber of Commerce Rules, UNCITRAL Rules and LCIA Rules.

In October 2007 Sir Robert was appointed High Court Judge sitting in the Technology and Construction Court in London and from 2010 – 2013 was Judge in Charge of the Technology and Construction Court. Some of his well-known judgments were *Walter Lilly & Company Ltd v Mackay & Anor* [2012] (delays, loss and expense and defects) and *Obrascon Huarte Lain SA v Her Majesty's Attorney General for Gibraltar* [2014] (unforeseen ground conditions and termination).

Retiring from the Bench in December 2015, Sir Robert has returned to being an arbitrator, mediator, adjudicator, DRB member and adjudicator, involved in disputes both in London and around the world. He is an editor of the *Building Law Reports*.

Dan Kayne, General Counsel – Routes, Network Rail Infrastructure Limited

Dan Kayne qualified in to the commercial dispute resolution department of Dechert LLP in 2001. In 2007 he moved in-house to Network Rail where he is now General Counsel (Routes). In that capacity, Dan leads a team which is set up to deliver a full range of legal services to support the business in maintaining, operating and enhancing the UK rail network. There are eight routes in total, geographically split across the UK, with eight leadership teams and 25,000 employees to support - from Managing Directors to front line staff. Previously selected as one of Legal Business' Rising Stars, Dan and his team work as partners with the Routes, aligned to their strategies and proactively supporting them in achieving their objectives. Through measuring and monitoring our performance, the team is constantly developing and looking for opportunities to improve their service to become a better, faster and smarter service provider to the Routes and ultimately to achieve the team vision of 'consistently exceeding customers' expectations'.

Derrick Logan, Senior Solutions Architect, Epiq

Derrick Logan has over 15 years of information systems, operations management and legal technology development and deployment experience, and has worked in some of the most prestigious law firms in the AmLaw 200 including Skadden Arps, Weil Gotshal, and Jones Day.

Previous Professional Experience

Derrick has consistently led a staff of project managers and analysts in providing electronic discovery and litigation support services internally to major law firms. Working directly with in-house counsel, senior executives

and legal teams, Derrick has affected the collection, processing, review and production of electronically stored information in SEC and IRS investigations, multiple large corporate litigation matters with an emphasis on white collar criminal defense, intellectual property, employment, product liability, mass tort and multi- district litigation. He regularly consults attorneys on electronic discovery best practices, assists in the development of discovery plans, and participates in departmental professional development and attorney education. While serving as Litigation Support Supervisor at Weil, Gotshal & Manges, Derrick achieved several milestones associated with organization-wide in-sourcing and revamping firm technology initiatives. Currently, he spends time overseeing and running multi-national collection and review exercises to address privacy issues.

Education

Logan holds an M.S. degree in Technology Management from Columbia University in the City of New York.

Ellen Gregg, Partner, Womble Bond Dickinson (US) LLP

A veteran trial lawyer, Ellen leads the Case Management Facility (CMF), which helps clients manage information in mass tort and class action litigation. Ellen is also Vice Chair of the firm, and is an innovator in law firm leadership, professional development, and recruiting programs. Ellen Gregg has litigated cases at all levels of state and federal courts including class actions, and medical malpractice, wrongful death, civil rights and complex product liability claims.

Ellen applies this experience in her role as Team Leader of the CMF, a high-tech legal knowledge management (LKM) system. The CMF creates and administers case repositories and virtual law firms nationwide, enabling in-house and outside counsel to communicate in real time in a secure electronic environment, to instantly access all work product, and to reduce costs. Her recent efforts focus on applying business intelligence and predictive analytics to her clients' litigation. For years, Ellen has helped her clients achieve significant budget savings while enhancing their ability to win cases.

At Womble Bond Dickinson, Ellen holds numerous leadership roles, including service on the firm's Management and Executive Committees. Ellen also actively serves the Winston-Salem community through her involvement in the United Way, Habitat for Humanity and the American Heart Association.

Richard Collins, Partner, Womble Bond Dickinson (UK) LLP

Richard specialises in high-value commercial litigation. He has experience of a broad range of commercial and contentious matters including disputes arising out of complex financial products, pensions disputes, professional negligence matters, shareholder disputes and substantial multi-jurisdictional contractual claims. He also leads the firm's contentious procurement team.

Richard has a particular focus on the transport, financial services and public sectors.