



# The Council of the Inns of Court

**COIC's Purpose:** Founded by the Inns of Court, COIC works with them in strengthening the rule of law through excellence in professional and ethical education and in maintaining the highest standards of professional conduct.

In practice this means that COIC will seek to promote:

- excellence in advocacy and professional knowledge;
- ethical practice and integrity;
- an accessible, diverse, and inclusive profession;
- a collaborative profession.

In delivering its purpose COIC will strengthen the Inns by facilitating collaboration when it is more effective to act in combination by:

- Developing ideas, strategies, policies, and procedures;
- Speaking for the Inns collectively;
- Developing and continuously improving the Inns' regulated educational activities and disciplinary processes.

## ***via the ICCA***

The ICCA will deliver high quality, innovative and flexible academic and professional education and training by:

- Addressing the training needs of Bar students and practising members of the Bar throughout their career;
- Creating training and professional development resources, when the ICCA is best placed to do so effectively, for delivery by others in particular the Inns, Circuits and Specialist Bar Associations;
- Delivering training nationally and internationally where the ICCA is best placed to do so.

***via BTAS***

BTAS will deliver an independent, fair and transparent tribunal service that protects the public interest, maintains standards amongst student members of the Inns and members of the Bar and promotes confidence in the profession by:

- Recruiting, training and developing independent panellists;
- Providing high quality tribunal facilities and hearings (both 'in person' and remote);
- Imposing fair and proportionate sanctions;
- Publishing clear and accurate information;

Fully complying with the requirements of regulators and the law.