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# MASTERCCLASS DAY

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**The Minster Building,** 21 Mincing Ln., London EC3R 7AG

**08:30 - 09:30**      **Registration & Breakfast**

**09:30 - 09:35**      **Chair's Opening Remarks**

**Jana Blount**, Founder,  
Jana Blout Consulting



**09:35 - 09:55**      **INDUSTRY KEYNOTE**

## **Reshaping Law: My Experience as a Disabled Professional**

JA brief insight into my 16 year journey navigating the legal sector to become a practicing solicitor, from dictating my law college personal statement whilst on a ventilator being told I'd never work in a city law firm juggling work, studies and rehab and explaining how tech has helped and why, with an ageing global population and the power of the purple pound, we should embrace disability inclusion.

**Jasdeep Brar**, Associate (Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations), **Linklaters**



**09:55 - 10:10**      **KEYNOTE PRESENTATION**

## **Sponsor Keynote Presentation by BARBRI**

**Lucie Allen**, Chief Growth Officer, **BARBRI**



10:10 - 10:55

## WORKSHOP 1

### Holding the Room - Communicating with Confidence for Legal Professionals

Hold any room with confidence! This dynamic masterclass gives legal professionals the essential skills to project authority, refine body language, and truly connect with any audience. Delivered by the Royal Central School of Speech and Drama, in partnership with BARBRI, this masterclass draws on proven techniques from actor training. You'll learn how to own the space, build credibility, and leave a lasting impact - whether you're leading a team, presenting in court, or handling high-stakes conversations.

**Dr Gerald "Jay" Paul Skelton**, Business Programmes Manager, The Royal Central School of Speech and Drama in Partnership with BARBRI



10:55 - 11:40

## Coffee & Networking Break

11:40 - 12:10

## STANDALONE PRESENTATION

### How to Build Your Brand Using LinkedIn - A Lawyer's Perspective

Jon Gregson discusses how, as a practising lawyer, he has leveraged LinkedIn to build a personal brand that showcases both his expertise and personality, to become one of the Top 5 ranking 'Legal LinkedInfluencers' in the UK legal profession

**Jon Gregson**, Partner, **Weightmans**



12:10 - 12:55

## WORKSHOP 2

### Unlocking AI in Legal: Discover High-Impact Use Cases

**Uwais Iqbal**, Founder & CEO, Simplexica



12:55 - 13:55

## Networking Lunch

13:55 - 14:40

## WORKSHOP 3

### Commercial Savviness: Five Rules for Improving

Whether in-house or in private practice, clients and supervisors demand good 'commercial awareness' from their junior lawyers; seldom do they explain the term, still less how to gain it. This masterclass will do both with five easy to remember rules.

**Roy Morgan**, Solicitor Advocate, Training & Design Specialist, Barbri



14:40 - 15:00

## STANDALONE PRESENTATION

### **Changing the Curriculum for Future Lawyers: The legal world is changing. Education is changing. So, what does that mean for legal educators, employers and the next generation of lawyers?**



This presentation highlights key trends affecting legal education including:

- » Developments in tech
- » Shifts in student demographics
- » Changes in professional qualification routes
- » Embedding employability in the curriculum
- » Skills and attributes needed for the future of law
- » Alternative career paths

Combining theory and practical examples, the talk covers the who, what and why of setting future lawyers up for success.

**Karen Watton**, qLegal Director,  
CCLS at Queen Mary University of London

15:00 - 15:40

## Coffee & Networking Break

15:40 - 16:25

## WORKSHOP 4

### 3-Step Rapid Design: a practical design thinking method for when you want to make Legal work better, but you just don't have time

Design thinking is a powerful way to simplify, solve problems, and create clarity for the business. It's a key skill for a competitive edge in a post-AI world. Majoto's founder Denis Potemkin will take you through a "workout" to introduce you to design thinking - the Majoto way. In this interactive workshop, you will try your hand at tackling typical problems legal teams face, using the 3-Step Rapid Design method. This is an introduction to design thinking, and to a uniquely learnable and practical design thinking method that Denis teaches through the Majoto Design Lab.

**Denis Potemkin**, Founder, Majoto



16:25 - 16:55

## STANDALONE PRESENTATION

### The Pragmatist's Guide to Fixing Contracting: 10 Things That Take Less Than a Week

**Alex Hamilton**, CEO, Radiant Law



16:55 - 17:00

Chair's Closing Remarks

**Jana Blount**, Founder, Jana Blount  
Consulting



**17:00 - 18:15**

**Drinks Reception**

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| Masterclass | <b>£50 + VAT</b>  | <b>£100 + VAT</b>   | <b>£150 + VAT</b>  |

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