City of London Law Society - Corporate Crime and Corruption Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the 30 October 2018 at Reed Smith, The Broadgate Tower, 20 Primrose Street, London, EC2A 2RS

Present:

Eoin O'Shea (Chair): Reed Smith (by telephone)

Alistair Graham: *Mayer Brown*Davina Given: *RPC (by telephone)*Jeremy Summers: *Osborne Clarke*

Rodney Warren: Warren's Law and Advocacy

Sarah Wallace: Irwin Mitchell

Susannah Cogman: Herbert Smith Freehills

Stephen Gentle: Simmons & Simmons

In attendance:

David Hobart: *CLLS*Kevin Hart: *CLLS*

Laura-May Scott: Reed Smith

Apologies:

Andrew Keltie: Baker & Mckenzie

Angela Pearson: Ashurst

Arnondo Chakrabarti: *Allen & Overy*

Barry Donnelly: *Macfarlanes*Barry Vitou: *Greenberg Traurig*

Caroline Wojtylak: Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom

Daren Allen: *Dentons UKMEA*David Corker: *Corker Binning*Jonathan Pickworth: *White & Case*

Louise Delahunty: Cooley

Marcus Thompson: Kirkland & Ellis Matthew Getz: Boies, Schiller & Flexner

Nick Benwell: Simmons & Simmons

Omar Qureshi: CMS Cameron McKenna

Roger Best: Clifford Chance

Ryan Junck: Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom

Sam Eastwood: *Norton Rose* Satinder Dogra: *Linklaters*

Satnam Tumani: *Kirkland & Ellis*Simon Joyston-Bechal: *Turnstone Law*

Tony Woodcock: Stephenson Harwood

1. Apologies

The Chair mentioned apologies received for non-attendance.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

The Minutes of the last meeting (11 September 2018) were approved. The Chair directed that the Minutes be filed on the CLLS website 24 hours after the meeting, subject to Committee members sending any final comments on the draft.

3. Membership – applications

The Committee discussed applications for membership. It was decided that Eve Giles (Allen & Overy), Louise Hodges (Kingsley Napley), Sacha Harber-Kelly (Gibson Dunn & Crutcher), Michelle de Kluyver (Addleshaw Goddard), Sara Teasdale (Byrne & Partners) Neill Blundell (Macfarlanes), Judith Seddon (Ropes & Gray) and Jonathan Cotton (Slaughter & May) should become members of the Committee.

The Chair reported that Barry Donnelly and Arnondo Chakrabarti wished to step down as Committee Members in favour of Neill Blundell and Eve Giles respectively. On behalf of the Committee, the Chair thanked Barry and Arnondo for their support and contributions over several years.

Attendance of members at Committee Meetings was discussed.

4. Practice / Legal updates

The Committee discussed the recent dismissal of the voluntary bill of indictment in the Barlcays case by the High Court. The Committee also discussed *Lonsdale v National Westminster Bank Plc* (disclosure of suspicious activity reports).

There was a discussion of case-management in large fraud cases generally.

5. S.2 interview practices

The Chair explained that s.2 interview practices was a standing agenda item and he encouraged those in attendance to share (on an anonymous basis) any recent experiences of s.2 interviews and in particular any poor practices by investigators. The Committee discussed, amongst other things, the relevance of third party confidentiality in the context of professional obligations and s.2 notices.

6. Future Guest Speakers

The Chair reminded the Committee that Lisa Osofsky of the SFO would be attending the Committee on 11 December 2018.

External guest speakers for 2019 were discussed and the Chair agreed to consider the names put forward and approach the relevant individuals as appropriate.

7. AOB

A high-level update was provided in relation to the key items discussed at the CLLS Chairs Meeting.

Kevin Hart reminded the Committee that the Annual CLLS Committees Dinner was scheduled for 21 January 2019.