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# Housing Newsletter

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We bring you the latest developments in housing law, as well as commentary, guidance on statutory developments and upcoming cases to watch out for.

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## Message From The Heads Of Team...What Lies Ahead In Housing?



On the housing allocations front localism continues to influence strategy with many local authorities introducing qualification criteria based upon financial means and local connection. Three years' residence in-borough

out of the last five seems standard but some authorities have imposed, perhaps ambitiously, stricter requirements based upon five years' residence or more...

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## Cornerstone Barristers Attract new members



On 31 July 2014 Cornerstone Barristers announced that leading housing and public juniors **Andrew Lane** and **Dean Underwood** had joined from Hardwicke....[read more.](#)

## Housing Cases of Interest

**Andrew Lane** has put together the recent Housing cases of interest in the last 3 months...[read more](#)

## Matthew Lewin

**Matthew Lewin** has become the newest tenant to join Cornerstone Barristers, after



successfully completing his pupillage in October 2014. To view his profile, [click here](#).

## Ranking Success for Housing Team



The Housing Team at Cornerstone Barristers has achieved considerable success and recognition in this year's Legal 500. We were ranked in the top tier of Leading Sets in the Social Housing Field.....[read more](#)

## Anti-Social Behaviour – the New Reforms

In this first of two articles **Andrew Lane** looks forward to the introduction of a number of new ASB “tools” introduced by the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014  
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## Peggy Etiebet returns to full-time practice at

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delighted that Peggy Etiebet is returning to full-time practice after her sabbatical to play water polo with the Great Britain Water Polo team... [read more](#)

## Terminating tenancies of those lacking capacity



Jack Parker looks at a recent case that gives important guidance in relation to assessing whether a tenant has capacity to enter into and surrender a tenancy and make other decisions about where to live... [read more](#)

## Serious detriment, time to reconsider?

**Dean Underwood** considers the Homes and Communities Agency's recent Consumer Regulation Review and the questions it throws up about the threshold for HCA intervention... [read more](#)

## Anti-Social Behaviour and Mental Capacity Assessments – Practical Questions Answered

Peggy discusses the question of mental capacity assessments in Mental Health..

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## Leicestershire's Response to the Community Trigger



ASB Crime and Policing Act 2014

Gurjit Samra-Rai [read more](#)

## And It's Goodnight From Him



As I hand over to Kuljit and Kelvin as head of the housing team to focus solely on practice, I hope you do not mind if I have one more blow on the chambers trumpet and reflect on the successes enjoyed by the housing team here at Cornerstone... [read more](#)

## Cornerstone Barristers back in the Supreme Court

**Kelvin Rutledge QC** will be leading **Catherine Rowlands**, both of



Cornerstone Barristers, in 3 Supreme Court hearings on the question of priority need for the purposes of Part VII of the Housing Act 1996 from 15-17 [December 2014](#) – Johnson v Solihull MBC [2013] EWCA Civ 752, Hotak v Southwark LBC [2013] EWCA Civ 515 and Kanu v Southwark LBC [2014] EWCA Civ 1085

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## Supreme Court to consider unlawful eviction



Next week [Michael Paget](#) will be appearing in the Supreme Court for Mr Loveridge. He was a secure tenant who was unlawfully evicted by his landlord, Lambeth LBC... [read more](#)

## Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014

Many of the ASB provisions of the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime & Policing Act 2014 come into force on 20 October 2014. Kuljit Bhogal, joint Head of the Housing Team at Cornerstone Barristers, has written the definitive guide to the changes – “Cornerstone on Antisocial Behaviour: The New Law” - which is due out in January 2015. [Click here](#) for further details.

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