

Chancery Modernisation Review Implementation - Pre-Trial Reviews

Mr Justice Newey has asked us to inform you that the Chancery Division is to experiment with holding pre-trial reviews in all cases estimated to last five days or more. From the beginning of next term (29 April 2014), whenever a case with an estimate of at least five days is fixed to come on for final hearing on or after 1 March 2015, a pre-trial review before a judge will be arranged at the same time, to take place about four weeks before the trial. Among other things, the judge hearing the pre-trial review will be concerned to check that the time estimate is realistic and that the parties have taken appropriate steps to agree a timetable for the trial.

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