

Industry update

Insurance & Savings Ombudsman

Issues raised by complaints to theInsurance & Savings Ombudsman office

Complaints to the Insurance & Savings Ombudsman (ISO) are always diverse and complex. The ISO Scheme is an independent service for resolving insurance and savings disputes, which is free to consumers.

Join us in this industry briefing with Ombudsman Karen Stevens, who will talk about recent issues raised from complaints to the office, and suggest practical ways to avoid problems escalating out of control for you and your customers. Topics include complaints relating to:

- > TPD and IP policies
- > pre-existing condition exclusions
- > non-disclosure of material information on applications
- > trauma cover that only covers listed conditions
- > how bad does a heart attack have to be, to be covered?
- > house and contents, vehicle and health insurance
- > Gold Card travel insurance does it really provide the cover you need?

Speaker



Karen Stevens
Insurance & Savings
Ombudsman

Karen Stevens was appointed Insurance & Savings Ombudsman ISO in May 1998. She graduated with a BA and Law degree from Victoria University and was admitted as a barrister and solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand in 1987. While she lived in England in the mid 1980s, she worked as a lawyer in Cornwall and, on her return to New Zealand, she commenced practice as a solicitor with a large legal firm in 1989.

Karen gained prosecution experience under the Fair Trading Act 1986 with a secondment to the Commerce Commission. In 1994, she co-founded the firm of Stapleton Stevens, specialising in commercial litigation and ADR. In 1995 and 1996, she was also a part-time tutor in litigation and commercial law at Wellington Polytechnic.

Since her appointment as ISO, Karen has also qualified as an Associate of The Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand, a Member of The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK) and a Fellow of the New Zealand Institute of Management.

Event details

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Thursday 25 March 2010

Time

12.00pm Registration

& Lunch 12.30pm Presentation

and Q&A

2.00pm Close

Venue

Millennium Hotel 14 Cathedral Square Christchurch

RSVP

Monday 22 March 2010

Cost (inc GST)

\$40.00 Members \$65.00 Non-members \$55.00 for groups

for groups of three or more

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