Criminal – Mark Garrett: Director General of the Law Society of Ireland

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The Director General and six directors manage the day-to-day running of the Law Society.



Director General

The Director General is the Chief Executive of the Law Society with all of the powers and responsibilities usually vested in a Chief Executive. In addition, the Director General is the Secretary of the Law Society with a number of further powers and responsibilities provided under the Solicitors Acts 1954 to 2008.

The Director General's role is to manage the organisation and the people in it. He works very closely with the organisation's Directors, serving as the primary link between the Council, to which he is the chief policy adviser, and the staff.

The Director General works very closely with the President and both will frequently represent the Law Society at meetings throughout Ireland of local Bar Associations and also at international meetings of their counterparts from other countries. Mark Garrett is the current Director General. He took up office in January 2022.

The Director General frequently acts as spokesperson for the Law Society in the media and represents the Law Society before Dail Committees and as a Society nominee on Ministerial Working Groups.

Directors and departments

Policy and Public Affairs Department

Representation and Member Services Department

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Education Department