

North Wales branch of the Institute of Legal Executives launched – Dilwyn Jones becomes first Chairman

A North Wales branch of the Institute of Legal Executives was formally launched at a meeting held at the Oriel House Hotel in St Asaph on Friday 6th July 2007 and Dilwyn Jones of this company has been appointed its first chairman.

The Institute is a leading provider of legal education and is recognised as the third branch of the legal profession alongside solicitors and barristers. It is also the professional body representing the interests of legal executives, who are qualified lawyers who specialise in a particular area of law, and currently has 22,000 members throughout the UK.

Other officers of the new branch present at the meeting, attended by around 30 people, were: Christine Evans (branch secretary); Katherine Lockyer (branch treasurer); and Rachel Weaver-Clarke (events organiser).

Among the other attendees were the institute's vice-chairman, Lesley Graham; Diane Burleigh, the institute's chief executive; Councillor Ann Minshull, chair of Flintshire County Council; and the deputy mayor of Wrexham, Councillor Dave Griffiths.

The new branch will meet quarterly at different venues throughout North Wales and activities will include lectures, continuous professional development opportunities for qualified legal executives and study support for those who are not yet qualified plus a range of social events.

Anybody wishing to join the new branch or wanting information about the Institute of Legal Executives can find out more by contacting Dilwyn Jones on 01745 818262.