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IPA Elects New President and Deputy Vice-President

The Insolvency Practitioners Association, the membership body and regulator for those specialising in insolvency practice, has appointed Lloyd Hinton as its new President for the coming year. Lloyd takes office with immediate effect and serves as the Association's figurehead and Chair of its board of directors for the next twelve months.

Lloyd is a Licensed Insolvency Practitioner and director of Insolve Plus, a specialist insolvency practice based in the West End of London. Lloyd joined Insolve Plus in 2011 having previously worked for midsized and large firms in London.

Lloyd has extensive experience in a wide range of sectors including hospitality and leisure, IT, travel, construction and professional services. Lloyd has experience of both contentious and non-contentious insolvency assignments, in the UK and abroad.

Lloyd has a close relationship with the IPA stretching back many years. He sat the IPA's CPI exam early in his career and subsequently went on to become a full member and licence holder having passed the JIEB. Lloyd previously chaired the IPA's Networking Committee, sat on the editorial board of Insolvency Practitioner and acted as Vice Chair of Member Services. Lloyd is currently, a member of the Board of Directors of the IPA, the Chair of the Examination Committee and member of the Member Services Committee.

Lloyd was named Insolvency Manager of the Year at the 2009 Insolvency & Rescue awards and was named as one of the UK's 100 most influential insolvency professionals in Insolvency Today's Power 100.

Commenting on his appointment, Lloyd said:

"As a long-standing supporter of the IPA, I am extremely proud to have been elected as President of the Association. I look forward to working with the Secretariat, the Board and the various committees, to effectively represent the membership over the next twelve months. One of my main objectives during

my Presidential year will be to encourage others to engage with the IPA, as I have, as I have found it beneficial to my career, personally rewarding and it has helped me understand how the IPA provides world class regulation in complex and evolving sector."

Liz Bingham OBE, Director General of the IPA, added:

"I would like to congratulate Lloyd on his appointment as President. Having served on a number of our committees I know Lloyd will continue to represent our members' interests and contribute to the enhancement of the IPA's reputation as the specialist insolvency regulator."

The Insolvency Practitioners Association has also elected Kevin Hellard, the insolvency practice leader of Grant Thornton, as its next Deputy Vice-President. Kevin, who takes up the office of Deputy Vice-President this month, is expected to become IPA President in April 2020.

Kevin, who has been a member of the IPA since 1991 and is now a fellow of the association and a serving member of counsel, will support the work of the President and Vice-President over the next two years.

Kevin comments:

"The efficient working of the UK's insolvency regime is critical to the growth & vibrancy of the economy. The IPA, as the industry's leading regulator, has a responsibility to ensure that the profession maintains the highest integrity as it continues to evolve to meet the economy's requirements. I am honoured to be actively involved in that process and I look forward to contributing to the further development of the IPA."

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About the Insolvency Practitioners Association

The IPA is the only one of the recognised professional bodies specialising solely in insolvency. Its principal aim is to promote and maintain standards of performance and professional conduct amongst those engaged in insolvency practice. It is the second largest, in terms of the number of licensed insolvency practitioners (IPs), of the professional bodies recognised for the purposes of authorising IPs under the Insolvency Act 1986. The IPA currently regulates around 700 IPs in the UK, including those licensed by ACCA. You can find an IPA IP on its website:

www.insolvency-practitioners.org.uk