New service providing advance notice of key legal cases – "Pending Actions"

- Users can follow court proceedings from start to finish

Lawtel, a leading online legal research service provided by Thomson Reuters, has launched a Pending Actions service that will track key documents and developments to a case submitted to the High Court before a hearing date is fixed.

“Pending Actions”, will provide information on the status of a case as it proceeds towards the hearing.

The service allows a much more robust and up to date overview of future court cases than had previously been available through online services.

Lawtel explain that it will allow lawyers to rapidly identify forthcoming cases that may be of relevance to their clients or practice area.

“Pending Actions” offers the user the opportunity to search for upcoming cases against an individual company, or within a particular area of law (e.g. Personal Injury law). The service also allows searches by court type, covering the Commercial Court, Chancery Division or Queens Bench Division.

Highlights of the service include:

- Searchable data base of pending cases at first instance in the High Court
- Summary of the case being brought
- "Pending actions alert" – updates on an individual case will be emailed when the status of an action changes or when key documents are filed such as the acknowledgment of service
- The Defendant’s and Claimant’s legal representatives

David Finnis of Lawtel says: “We are delighted to offer this enterprising new product that will help our clients’ to track key cases before they come to court. Finding out this kind of information was a very laborious process until now and this service will facilitate much more efficient research and case management.”

“Investment in this and forthcoming products underlines our commitment to ensure our clients remain at the leading edge of the legal information field.”

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