NOTES ON 2014'S AWARD – DAVID MCINTOSH

David McIntosh is now a consultant at Rodney Warren & Co heading its 'City' Litigation and Regulatory Practice, having previously been the Senior Partner of Davies Arnold Cooper for 28 years.

He is a past President of the Law Society of England and Wales and is a continuing member of its Council and Chairman of its International Issues Committee. David has also chaired The City of London Law Society and stepped down after 7 years in June 2011.

He is Chairman of The Solicitors' Indemnity Fund and until November 2013 chaired the CII's Professional Standards Board as its second independent Chair.

In March 2009, he was made an Honorary QC in recognition of him having helped to foster strong relationships between city law firms and the Law Society.

In July 2009, he was included in the Times listing of Britain's most powerful lawyers.

With a considerable background in commercial and insurance litigation, including involvement in many of the UK's most prominent group actions, he specialises in advising and representing leading law firms and others involved in regulatory investigations and proceedings and in providing Rodney Warren & Co with a commercial litigation capacity. He is a regular broadcaster and writer on legal and legal practice issues.

David graciously extended his term of office as independent Chairman of the CII's Professional Standards Board from 6 years to 7 at the request of the CII Board, so as to see though the first year post RDR implementation.

Recent Achievements

- CII Governance review (2007) strengthening the PSB input into the CII
- Review of Code of Ethics by PSB working party (2009-2010)
- Independent review of CII approach to ethical behaviour implemented with PSB oversight (2008-9)
- Retail Distribution Review (2008-2013) major work to support CII's initiative to improve professional standards as part of the FSA RDR. 5 Discussion papers launched and numerous member surveys. Supported CII engagement with FSA latterly as part of working party of professional bodies to develop the final outcome which embraced a professional standards solution (Level 4 qualifications; mandatory CPD and commitment to Code of Ethics as well as establishment of the Statement of Professional Standing protocol).