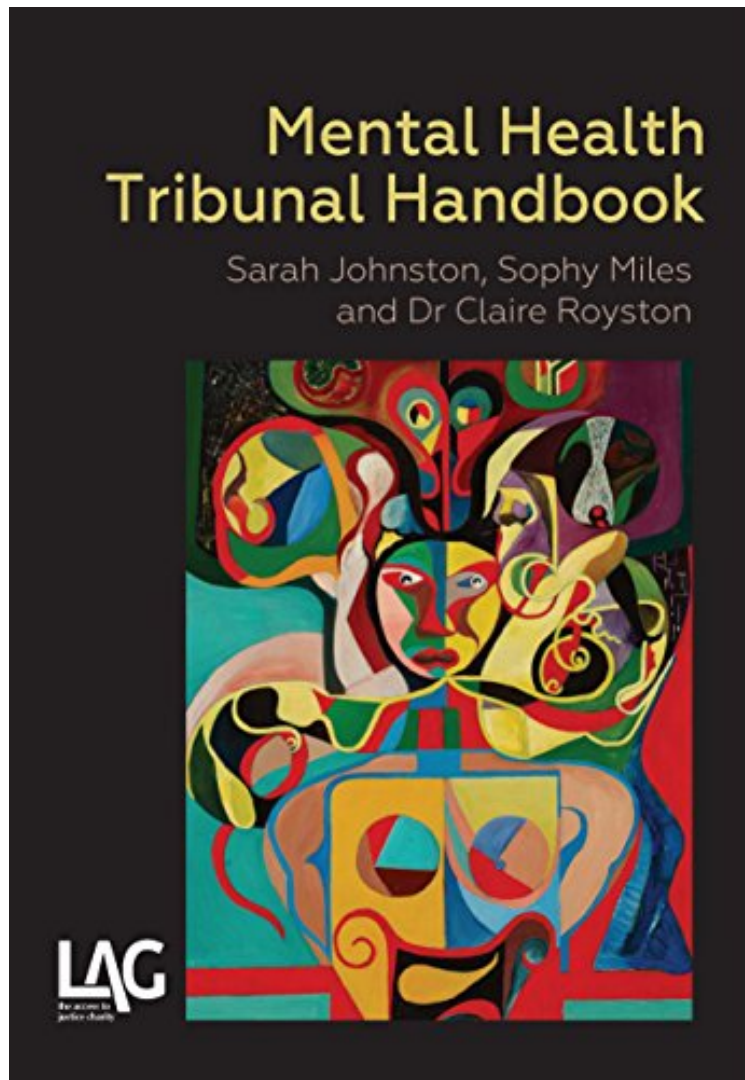


Mental Health Tribunal Handbook

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now emerging which confront society have always tended to be put away in a drawer in the hope that they will be forgotten. Not anymore! As practitioners, we are asked to advise much more frequently on mental health issues from both sides of the table and in the different settings. It is clear that the trend will continue and so LAGs Mental Health Tribunal Handbook is a most welcome new title, written by experts for the legal practitioner and with excellent background for the expert witness. The Legal Action Group (LAG), the access to justice charity, is well known to all practitioners for the sterling work it does with the production of first class texts to assist professionals, advisers and the judiciary as we go about our daily tasks. Counsel and solicitors would expect to see this new handbook regularly in the courts and tribunals together with all the other LAG titles because they are, by far, the easiest law books to read and they set out law and procedure clearly for all parties involved in these difficult proceedings. Brooke LJ features heavily in the Preface for his prescient comments saying (nearly 15 years ago) that in the fairly near future the demands made on skilled solicitors in this field are going to increase exponentially. We have now reached that point in 2015 so this new handbook is a most welcome addition to the practitioners library as a must-have publication to cover this expanding field of law. The three authors, Sarah Johnston, Sophy Miles and Dr Claire Royston, bring a tremendous depth of expertise to their subject. We are profoundly grateful to them for sharing the knowledge and experiences they have with us. The beauty and enduring success of the common law has always been its case law concept, and the sharing of ideas when confronted with similar factual situations, the often difficult interpretation of statutes and advice on the need for the smooth running of procedures. And we get just this with LAGs Mental Health Tribunal Handbook to enrich our own expertise in this demanding, fascinating and rewarding area of practice. Frankly, without this book, many of us would become lost quite quickly! The book was published in March 2015 and reflects the legal position to this date.

Mental Health Tribunal Handbook covers both the legislation as well as the practice and procedure governing mental health tribunals. It will also consider common issues that frequently arise in tribunal hearings. Appendices provide the full text of the relevant legislation and regulations and worked examples of relevant forms and letters.