

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

**Name:** Stuart Gilhooly

**Position:** Partner in H J Ward & Co, Solicitors.

### **Educational Achievements**

2008 - Qualified as accredited mediator (Friary Law).

2008 – Participated in Leadership of Professional Firms programme in Harvard Business School.

2005 – Attained Certificate in Advanced Advocacy at the Law Society of Ireland.

1995 – Qualified as a solicitor at the Law Society of Ireland.

1991-92 – Completed a Diploma in Business Studies at UCD School of Business.

1988-91 – Completed Bachelor of Civil Law Degree at University College Dublin.

1988 – Completed the Leaving Certificate attaining 6 honours in Higher Level subjects.

### **Professional Legal Career**

2003 to date - Partner in H J Ward & Co, Solicitors in Dublin working primarily as a litigation and ADR lawyer specialising in personal injuries law, employment law and sports law.

1995 – 2003 – Associate in H J Ward & Co, Solicitors.

2019 to date – Arbitrator at the Court for Arbitration for Sport (CAS)

2004 to date – Lecturer for the Law Society and various Bar Associations in various subjects including Personal Injuries Law, Sports Law, Costs, Civil Advocacy, Ethics and Professional Indemnity Insurance. I have lectured both law students and qualified solicitors and am the author of a chapter of the Law Society's Professional Practice Course Litigation Handbook.

2011 to 2016 – Director of the Solicitors Mutual Defence Fund (Legal Professional Indemnity Insurance Company).

2002 to date – Feature Writer for the Parchment Magazine (the quarterly publication of the Dublin Solicitors Bar Association (DSBA)) and occasional writer for the Law Society Gazette.

2002-2006 – Editor of the Parchment Magazine.

### **Professional Legal Representative Experience**

2016-17 – President of the Law Society of Ireland.

2010-11 – President of the Dublin Solicitors Bar Association (DSBA).

2018 to date – Chairman of the Law Society's Litigation Management Committee.

2017-18 – Law Society nominee of the Personal Injuries Commission (government appointed)

2017 to date – Law Society nominee of the Administration of Civil Justice Review

2012 to date – Member of the Courts Service Superior Courts Rules Committee.

1999 to date – Member of the Law Society Council.

2000-2011 – Member of the DSBA Council.

2012-2018 – Member of the Law Society's Coordination Committee (Chairman 2016/17)

2011 to 2014 – Chairman of the Law Society's Professional Indemnity Insurance Committee.

2014-2016 – Chairman of the Law Society's Finance Committee.

2004 to date – Member of the Law Society's Finance Committee

2007–2011 – Vice Chairman and Divisional Chair of the Law Society's Complaints and Client Relations Committee.

2007–2011 – Chairman of the Law Society's Litigation Committee.

2005–2008 – Chairman of the Law Society's Gazette Editorial Board.

2004-2007 – Chairman of the Law Society's Education Committee.

2003-2004 – Chairman of the Law Society's Public Relations Committee.

2002-2006 – Editor of the DSBA Parchment magazine.

### **Professional Achievements**

2018 – Voted Solicitor of the Year at the Irish Law Awards

2011 – Voted Journalist of the Year by Magazines Ireland at the Irish Magazine Awards. Shortlisted for the same award in 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016.

2012 to date – Member of the judging panel for the Irish Law Awards.

2014 to date – Member of the judging panel for the Irish Law Book Awards.

2003 to date – Member of the judging panel for the Law Society's Justice Media Awards.

## **Professional Sports Law Experience**

2005 to date – Legal Representative to the Professional Footballers Association of Ireland (PFAI). During this period, I have been the sole legal advocate in many disputes at FAI DRCs and disciplinary hearings at which I have represented players, *inter alia*, in breach of contract disputes, allegations of drug taking (both recreational and performance enhancing), accusations of racism, illegal betting and professional integrity matters, including alleged match manipulation.

2019 to date – Member of the FAI Senior Council

2007 to date – attended every FIFPro annual congress as an integral part of the PFAI delegation.

2009 to date – attended every FIFPro Europe congress (bar one) in the same capacity.

2010 to date- attended FIFPro Legal Network conferences.

2016 to date – Chairman of VC Beechwood Cycling Club.

2018 to date – Legal Advisor to Irish Squash.

2004 to date – Trustee of Malahide United Football Club.

1996-1999 – Secretary of Malahide United Football Club.

## **HOBBIES AND INTERESTS**

All sports, particularly Football but also Rugby, Golf, Cycling.

Coaching Beechwood Under 17 football team.

Keeping fit, particularly cycling.

Reading, writing articles and blogs.

## **REFEREES**

1. Bobby Barnes – President of FIFPro Europe and Deputy Chief Executive of the PFA. Contact [BBarnes@thepfa.co.uk](mailto:BBarnes@thepfa.co.uk).
2. Ken Murphy – Director General of the Law Society of Ireland. Contact – [K.Murphy@lawsociety.ie](mailto:K.Murphy@lawsociety.ie).