

The Women's Aid
International Day Opposing
Violence against Women
Conference

25 November 2015



~~Digital~~
~~Abuse~~
of Women

Conference Schedule

- 9.00am** Registration & refreshments.
- 9.30am** Welcome and Opening Remarks.
Dearbhail McDonald, Chair
- 9.40am** Digital Abuse in intimate partner relationships:
what we know. Followed by Q&A.
Margaret Martin, Director, Women's Aid
- 10.00am** Digital Abuse of Women: the Irish Legal Context.
Followed by Q&A. *Pauline Walley, SC*
- 10.30am** The Scottish Experience: How Scotland and the UK
have met the challenge of Stalking and Digital Abuse.
Followed by Q&A. *Ann Moulds*
- 11.00am** Break including the launch of the Women's Aid One
in Five Women National Balloon Action in solidarity
with women experiencing abuse.
- 11.30am** The American response to Digital Abuse of Women:
the successes and challenges. Followed by Q&A
Dr. Mary Anne Franks
- 12.00pm** Panel Discussion and Q&A, chaired by Dearbhail
McDonald.
- 12.30pm** Address by Noírin O' Sullivan, Commissioner, An
Garda Síochána
- 12.45pm** Final remarks by Margaret Martin, Director of
Women's Aid
- 1.00pm** Light lunch & close.



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1800 341 900

10am to 10pm, 7 days a week.

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Conference Speakers

Dearbhail McDonald



Dearbhail McDonald is Associate Editor and Legal Editor of the Irish Independent and a Sunday Independent columnist. A global Eisenhower Fellow (www.efworld.org), Dearbhail is also an author and broadcaster. Dearbhail serves on the

board of Fighting Words, the national creative writing centre for children and young adults and is a member of the External Advisory Board of Maynooth University Department of Law. Dearbhail holds an LL.B (Law) from Trinity College Dublin as well as a Masters Degree in Journalism from Dublin City University. A former news correspondent with The Sunday Times, Dearbhail has won a series of awards for her legal affairs coverage and is a former Young Irish Medical Journalist of the Year.

Margaret Martin



Margaret Martin is Director of Women's Aid. Women's Aid is the national organisation supporting women experiencing domestic violence in Ireland since 1974. We work to make women and children safe, offer support, provide hope

and act for justice and social change. The Women's Aid National Freephone Helpline 1800 341 900 operates from 10am to 10pm, 7 days a week. This will extend to a 24/7 service from January 2016. We offer a one to one support service, court accompaniment and run the Dolphin House Domestic Violence Support & Referral Service.

Pauline Walley, SC



Pauline Walley SC, LL.M. Comm. Law, Dip. Arb. Law, ACIS, is a practising barrister with a general practice in civil, criminal and internet litigation. She was called to the Bar of Ireland in 1989, having previously worked in insolvency

and company law. She was called to the Inner Bar in March 2005. She was a founder member of the Copyright Association of Ireland, the Irish Women Lawyers Association and the Irish Criminal Bar Association, of which she is a former Chair. She has a particular interest and expertise in privacy, data protection and IP law. She is also a qualified mediator (CEDR), and acts both as a mediator and as a legal adviser to clients involved in the mediation process. She is a co-author of the forthcoming book *Cyber Law and Employment*, to be published by Roundhall in January 2016. She has also written and lectured extensively in the Republic of Ireland on the emerging phenomenon of "revenge porn" harassment.

Ann Moulds



Ann Moulds founded Action Scotland Against Stalking in 2009 and waived her anonymity to speak out about her experience of being the victim of a long and horrendous stalking campaign when her stalker escaped jail with a lenient sentence.

The campaign was determined to have stalking recognised as a criminal offence within Scottish Law and to give victims a voice and a place within the criminal justice process. Ann is an accredited trainer and qualified in the Stalking Risk Profile. With her professional background in Psychology & Clinical Behavioural Psychotherapy, Ann won the 'Public Campaigner of the Year' at the Scottish Politicians of the Year Awards. She was the first Scotswoman to win the Emma Humphries Memorial Award and in February 2014, she was voted Scotswoman of the Year. She has spoken of her own experience of stalking which was the subject of a high profile legal case in Scotland. Ann won the 'Public Campaigner of the Year' at the Scottish Politicians of the Year Awards. She was the first Scotswoman to win the Emma Humphries Memorial Award and in February 2014, she was voted Scotswoman of the Year. She continues to work closely with the Crown Office, Police Scotland, NHS Scotland, Victim Support Organisations, Schools Colleges and Universities to help tackle this crime.

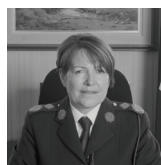
Dr. Mary Anne Franks



Dr. Mary Anne Franks is a law professor and activist. She is a Professor of Law at the University of Miami School of Law, where she teaches criminal law, criminal procedure, First Amendment law, and family law. She is the Legislative

& Tech Policy Director and Vice-President of the Cyber Civil Rights Initiative (CCRI), a non-profit organisation dedicated to challenging online harassment and abuse. In that capacity, she has worked with legislators in more than two dozen states to draft legislation against the non-consensual distribution of sexually explicit images. She is also a co-producer of the documentary *Hot Girls Wanted* (produced by the actress Rashida Jones), which examines the "professional amateur" porn industry. Dr. Franks is a frequent legal commentator in the media on issues of criminal law, family law, and online harassment.

Commissioner Noirin O'Sullivan, An Garda Síochána



Commissioner O'Sullivan joined An Garda Síochána in 1981 and has more than 30 years of professional policing experience across a wide range of both operational and administrative function areas and has worked in a broad range of police

disciplines at both national and international level. She was appointed Garda Commissioner on 25th November 2014.