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**Fireside Chats:**

*A series hosted by Ian Forrester KC LLD*

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“Fireside Chats “ are webinars about topics of current interest which concern policy matters of interest to lawyers. The idea is to organise a relaxed discussion with a recognised expert who can respond to questions as well as imparting a fresh view.

First edition: Webinar on Criminal Justice in California

**Monday, May 13th 2024 from 6.30 pm to 7.30pm (CET) or 5.30 pm to 6.30pm (UK)**

Our first guest is a writer of fiction whose books are not traditional whodunits but realistic accounts of how the police, the courts, the prisons and the probation services actually function. He has visited many prisons and led writing classes for prisoners as well as advising on reforms. So, if you want to learn about criminal justice in California and elsewhere in the United States from someone who is fond of the literary crime capital that is Edinburgh, join us during this webinar!

Guest speaker:



**Ryan Gattis**

Ryan Gattis (ryangattis.com) is the author of Safe, Kung Fu High School, The System, and All Involved—which won the American Library Association’s Alex Award, the Lire Award for Noir of the Year (France), and has been named one of the all-time “13 Most Essential L.A. Crime Books” (L.A. Times, 2023). He lives and writes in South Los Angeles, where he is a member of art collective UGLARworks, and a PEN America Prison Writing Mentor.

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