



## There's no chance of justice, fumes lawyer

LAWYERS are generally a refined bunch but Daniel Machover, a partner at Hickman & Rose, decided to shoot from the lip about the appointment of David Lidington as Lord Chancellor and Justice Secretary.

He fumed that he was "the fourth consecutive occupant of this post to have not so much as a law degree to qualify them for the job".

Still, a bit harsh of Hickman's spinners Bell Pottinger to describe Lidington as "Lord Chancer"...

■ CITIGROUP chief executive Michael Corbat had a sly dig at tweet-crazy President Donald Trump at a recent dinner in New York when he was asked to describe Citigroup in the form of a tweet. "One, I don't tweet, and I certainly don't tweet at 3am," said the bank boss, prompting a round of applause in the ballroom at the New York Hilton Midtown, the same hotel where Trump held his election night party.

■ BOJO'S former economics adviser Gerard Lyons (pictured) is getting a case of déjà vu on the latest Greek bailout: "That time of year again – giving Greece money so they can repay their creditors, including European banks, while their economy suffers."

## Do scrumpy fans have the taxman over a barrel?

**A nose for it:** Prince Charles enjoys a tippie during a visit to Somerset



THE Institute for Fiscal Studies has got it in for cider drinkers. "The tax rates on cider should be brought in line with beer. Currently, a litre of 7.5% cider attracts less than a third of the tax of a litre of 7.5% beer. This provides an incentive for people to choose cider over beer, and to consume more," it says.



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