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ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT OVER LUNCH, OVER 3 WEEKS

WEDNESDAY, 12, 19 & 26 FEBRUARY 2025
1.00PM TO 2.00PM

\$420
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Tight on time but need those CPD points by 31 March? These three concise, one-hour sessions - accessible online or as a recording- offer you a chance to tackle your compulsory ethics, practice management, and professional skills. Tune in over lunch and tick off your requirements with ease as you unpack the ethics of billing for AI use, receive best practice tips for robust data breach and cyber-attack prevention and master the art of influencing and negotiation.

WEDNESDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2025 **\$160**
1.00PM TO 2.00PM WEB252N03A

As AI tools like ChatGPT reshape legal practice's, you now face a critical question: is it ethical to charge for services supported by AI? Dive into the ethical framework around AI billing, where transparency, value, and trust intersect. Be guided through disclosure best practices, client communication, and value perception, equipping you to ethically integrate AI into your legal practice.

Chair: **Kieran Smark SC**, 153 Phillip; Leading Technology, Media & Telecommunications Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*; Recommended Technology, Media & Telecommunications Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

✓ *Ethics & Professional Responsibility*

THE ETHICS OF AI IN YOUR PRACTICE (AND CAN YOU REALLY CHARGE WHEN YOU USE CHATGPT?)

- Understanding the role of generative AI in research, drafting, and client interactions
- Current and proposed guidelines for AI usage by legal practices
- Differences between ChatGPT and an AI behind your corporate firewall
- Transparency, disclosure requirements, and ethical obligations to the Court and your clients
- Strategies for communicating the value of AI-assisted work to clients

Presented by **Simone Herbert-Lowe**, Director, Law & Cyber PTY Limited

WEDNESDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2025 **\$160**
1.00PM TO 2.00PM WEB252N03B

In today's tech-driven landscape, data has become "the world's most valuable resource," making law firms prime targets for cyber criminals. A data breach can have devastating consequences, but proactive prevention and a well-practiced response can make all the difference. Learn essential strategies for safeguarding sensitive information, responding effectively to cyber incidents, and protect you and your firm from becoming the next headline.

Chair: **Haroon Hassan**, Barrister & Mediator, List G Barristers; Recommended Technology, Media & Telecommunications Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

✓ *Practice Management and Business Skills*

DATA BREACH AND CYBER ATTACKS: PROACTIVE PREVENTION & EFFECTIVE RESPONSES

- Prevalence of data breaches and cyber-attacks involving Australian companies and law firms in particular
- The legal framework obliging law firms to take a considered approach to data collection, storage and security
- Data breach or cyber-attack: What is the typical legal and commercial exposure?
- Is my firm insured for data breach and cyber-attack?
- What to do in anticipation of a data breach or cyber-attack, the elements of a data breach response plan

Presented by **Mark Vincent**, Principal, Spruson & Ferguson Lawyers Pty Limited

WEDNESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2025 **\$160**
1.00PM TO 2.00PM WEB252N03C

Negotiation influences every aspect of legal practice, from advancing client interests to navigating office dynamics. It's more than just a conversation - it's a pivotal skill that can shape outcomes for clients and cases alike. Make negotiation your most valuable asset with techniques to create win-win scenarios, influence decisions, and manage challenging conversations. Refine your playbook of strategies that will make an immediate difference in your legal practice.

Chair: **John N West KC**, Mediator and Arbitrator, 7 Wentworth Selborne; Leading Mediator, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

✓ *Professional Skills*

EFFECTIVE NEGOTIATION AND INFLUENCING SKILLS

Using examples from negotiations Elise will assist you to:

- Prepare to persuade
- Move from combat artist to commercial strategist
- Use or lose the law as a negotiation tool
- Lean into your client's negotiation prowess
- Achieve sustainable and practical outcomes

Presented by **Elise Margow**, Principal, Legally Speaking; Leading Mediator, *Doyle's Guide 2024*



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- 1 CPD unit in Professional Skills
- 1 CPD unit in Ethics & Professional Responsibility
- 1 CPD unit in Practice Management & Business Skills



SHAREHOLDER AGREEMENTS INTENSIVE

THURSDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2025

9.00AM TO 1.15PM

\$505

WEB252N04

Back by popular demand, an intensive workshop covering the need-to-know information in shareholder agreements. Beginning with the ever-popular masterclass from John Graves, a leading authority in business law, gain an expert understanding of structuring entities, entry and exit strategies and buy sell agreements whether incorporated into the shareholder agreement or not. Receive guidance much requested guidance on valuations, methodologies and clauses.

Chair: **Fiona Hansen**, Senior Managing Director, Head of Valuations Advisory, FTI Consulting Australia

SHAREHOLDER AGREEMENTS PRACTICAL WORKSHOP: WITH 2025 UPDATES

- Structuring entities
 - › Structuring of companies and business entities
 - › Governance and control of the entity
 - › Financing of an entity's business objectives
 - › Determination of that entity
 - › The importance of Shareholder Agreements generally
- Shareholder Entry and Exit Strategies
 - › Non-compete, confidentiality and restraint
 - › Managing the process by drafting and other methods
 - › Strategies to minimise difficulties
 - › Precedent clauses: Which ones work and why?

Presented by **John Graves Principal**, Bradfield & Scott Lawyers; Accredited Specialist in Business and Property Law

BUSINESS SUCCESSION PLANNING USING SHAREHOLDER AGREEMENT AND OTHER AGREEMENTS

- A look at succession planning from a commercial/tax lens
- Structuring a buy/sell agreement, whether incorporated within the shareholders agreement or as a standalone agreement
- Insurance funding and ownership
- Tax implications

Presented by **Amanda Comelli**, Partner, Brown Wright Stein Lawyers; Accredited Specialist in Business Law

✓ *Professional Skills*

KEY VALUATION ISSUES IN 2025

- Best practice in using a valuation formula
- The most useful valuation methodologies and where to apply them
- Identifying and including appropriate valuation clauses in shareholder agreements

Presented by **Dan Taylor**, Partner, Prime Financial Group; Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia and Financial Services Institute Australia; Certified CA Business Valuation Specialist

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- 3 CPD units in Substantive Law
- 1 CPD unit in Professional Skills



BUILD-TO-RENT TAX CONCESSIONS UPDATE

THURSDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2025

1.00PM TO 2.00PM

\$160

WEB252N20

With persistent talk of a housing crisis in Australia, the States and Territories are under pressure to increase housing supply. Discover how the Federal Government's draft legislation on tax concessions is set to transform the build-to-rent sector and what this means for you, and your property and construction clients. With the proposed amendments to the Income Tax Assessment Act promised to stimulate investment with over \$25 billion allocated to new housing investments, ensure you're ready to assist your clients to make the most of the changing tides ahead.

BUILD TO RENT TAX CONCESSIONS

- Overview of the Build to Rent (BTR) federal tax concessions legislation
- Work through the main changes and features:
 - › MIT Withholding Concession
 - › Accelerated Capital Works Concession
- Qualifying requirements
- Key observations and clarifications: capital gains, restrictions and requirements
- Understand the affordable housing provisions

Presented by **Thomas Zilm**, Partner, Moray and Agnew; Committee Member, Urban Development Institute of Australia Urban Renewal, BTR, TOD and Local Town Centres Committee

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1 CPD UNIT

- 1 CPD unit in Substantive Law



NEW LEGISLATION ALERT: PROPERTY DEVELOPERS ACT 2024 (ACT)

MONDAY, 24 MARCH 2025

1.00PM TO 2.00PM

\$160

WEB253C53

Are you across the groundbreaking new *Property Developers Act 2024 (ACT)* and its implications including a swathe of new duties and liabilities? Aimed at curbing building defects and unethical developer practices, the Act introduces unprecedented measures including personal liability for directors, retrospective rectification orders and additional licencing requirements. Unpack the extensive implications for developers in the ACT, look to the future of advice to property developer clients and consider this pioneering legislation and its implications.

NEW LEGISLATION ALERT: PROPERTY DEVELOPERS ACT 2024 (ACT)

- Background & objectives of new framework
- Summary of key changes to the Bill since first introduced
- Defects rectification:
 - › Power for the Registrar to issue rectification orders and stop work orders
 - › Defects liability periods for defective building work and serious defects
 - › Thresholds for personal liability
- Consequential amendments
- Legal consequences: potential implications and unknowns
 - › Apportionment of liability in contracts between builders and developers
 - › Interpretation and operation of strict liability offences
 - › Non-reviewability of adverse rating reports
 - › Defects liability periods in off-the-plan contracts
 - › Liability and enforceability of rectification orders unaffected by pre-existing legal actions
- Other (not strictly legal) considerations
- Insights from other jurisdictions

Presented by **Peter Dascarolis**, Partner, Terracon

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1 CPD UNIT

- 1 CPD unit in Substantive Law



NDIS REFORMS, COMPLIANCE AND ISSUES IN A CHANGING LANDSCAPE

WEDNESDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795
WEB252N06

The NDIS and NDIS providers are under increased scrutiny. Reform is under way. Gain the latest updates on the National Disability Insurance Scheme Amendment (Getting the NDIS Back on Track No. 1) Bill 2024 reforms, NDIS regulatory compliance requirements and NDIS provider director and governance obligations. Navigate issues relating to the NDIS client including exploring the unfair contracts regime relating to NDIS contracts, the balance between client's home and their home as a workplace, plus a deep dive into client decision-making and risk-taking. Plus, gain a view from the Bench as a former Deputy President of the AAT and head of the NDIS Division shares his expertise and experience with you.

SESSION 1: KEY CHANGES TO THE LANDSCAPE: NDIS REFORMS & COMPLIANCE

9.00AM TO 1.15PM WEB252N06A **\$505**

Chair: **Kim Boettcher**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers

LEGISLATIVE NDIS REFORMS UPDATE: THE NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME AMENDMENT (GETTING THE NDIS BACK ON TRACK NO. 1) BILL 2024: UPDATE

- How do the legislative reforms try to clarify the interface between the NDIS and other service systems such as criminal justice and health?
- How does the new Act shape the future calculation of funding and the range of supports available under the NDIS?
- How might the rollout of foundational supports and revised early intervention programmes affect eligibility for the scheme?
- How does the new Act revise the oversight of spending, compliance and the quality of supports provided by the scheme?

Presented by **Dr Darren O'Donovan**, Senior Lecturer, Administrative Law, La Trobe Law School; co-author, *Law and Public Administration in Ireland*

NDIS COMMISSION: REGULATORY COMPLIANCE MATTERS

- Current priorities for regulating providers and workers
- What are the Commission's regulatory levers?
- Some examples of noncompliance and the tools applied
- Roadmap for responding to a complaint
- What actions can providers take to proposed regulatory action

Presented by **Gemma McGrath**, Managing Director, Panetta McGrath; Pre-eminent Medical Negligence & Malpractice (defendant), *Doyle's Guide 2023*; Recognised, Insurance Law & Professional Malpractice Litigation, *Best Lawyers*

NDIS DIRECTOR AND GOVERNANCE OBLIGATIONS

- The responsibilities of a company director and 'key personnel'
- Specific NDIS requirements
- The various types of statutory and common law requirements including ASIC, Work Health and Safety
- Case studies of breaches of NDIS requirements and outcomes for directors

Presented by **Bronwyn Herbertson**, Associate, Floyd Engles Quality Consulting; NDIS Auditor and Solicitor

MANAGING THE BALANCE BETWEEN YOUR CLIENTS' HOMES AND YOUR PERSONNEL'S WORKPLACE

- Strategies for managing families wanting to use CCTV and other monitoring devices to support their loved ones
- Tips to ensure compliance with workplace and other surveillance legislation
- Managing the duty of care owed to residents and staff: audio visual monitoring

Presented by **Luke Geary**, Partner, Mills Oakley; Recognised Lawyer, Non-Profit/Charities Law, *The Best Lawyers Australia*; Ranked Lawyer (Band 2) Charities, Chambers Asia-Pacific

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Presented by **The Honorable Michael Mischin MLC**, former Deputy President, Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT) and former Division Head of the National Disability Insurance Scheme Division

SESSION 2: DECISION MAKING & UNFAIR CONTRACTS: MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE CLIENT & THE NDIS PROVIDER

2.00PM TO 5.15PM WEB252N06B **\$420**

Chair: **Clare van Drunen**, General Counsel, My Place

HOW THE UNFAIR CONTRACT TERM REFORMS APPLY TO NDIS SERVICE AGREEMENTS

- Ensuring clarity around service provision, pricing, claims and budget management
- Drafting fair termination, cancellation and variation clauses
- Balancing rights and responsibilities with duty of care
- Assessing fairness in the context of the contract as a whole

Presented by **Elizabeth Tylch**, Chairperson & Partner, Corporate Commercial and **Ariel Bastien**, Senior Associate, Jackson McDonald; Recognised in Charities Law, *Chambers & Partners Asia-Pacific 2024*

HOW CAN SOCIAL FAÇADE DISGUISE THE DECISION MAKING ABILITY OF A NDIS RECIPIENT?

- Resolving the tension between substituted and other forms of decision makers
- What is the landscape of representative appointments
- When is a substitute decision maker appointment unconditional
- Navigating overlapping and competitive appointments
- How do you put the will and preference of the NDIS recipient first
- Evolving and establishing good practice for dealing with recipient decisions

Presented by **Dr Jane Lonie**, Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist and **Michael Perkins**, Special Counsel, SouthernWaters Legal; Accredited Specialist Wills & Estates

CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN THE PROVIDER BUSINESS MODELS: A CASE STUDY

- Where service providers have guardianship
- What is coercion and what is coercive control?
- Handling client's money and avoiding conflict
- Euthanasia and how to manage this without conflict

Presented by **Dr Jane Lonie**, Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist and **Michael Perkins**, Special Counsel, SouthernWaters Legal; Accredited Specialist Wills & Estates

DIGNITY OF RISK: ENABLING CHOICE, RISK-TAKING AND INDEPENDENCE

- Duty of care: What is it? How is it discharged?
- Dignity of risk and the right to make poor decisions
- Understanding risk: 10 questions to support positive risk assessments
- Creating a culture of respect and inclusion: overcoming practical challenges

Presented by **Prue Campbell**, Senior Associate, Panetta McGrath

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7 CPD UNITS

- 7 CPD units in Substantive Law



ADVANCED WILL DRAFTING WORKSHOP FOR ALL LAWYERS

WEDNESDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

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This practical workshop will give you the skills to elevate your proficiency in will drafting. It is designed to give you expertise, providing step-by-step guides for navigating complex issues in testamentary trusts. Navigate the entirety of will drafting, including how to deal with international assets, SMSFs and gifts. Your facilitators will guide you through approaches and insights, drawing from case studies, legislation and exemplary clauses.

YOU WILL WORK THROUGH STEP-BY-STEP GUIDES FOR COMPLEX WILL DRAFTING, GAINING HIGH LEVEL MENTORSHIP ON:

- ✓ *In-depth strategies to elevate your drafting*
- ✓ *Example clauses to take away and utilise in your drafting*
- ✓ *Example clauses to avoid & what to do differently*
- ✓ *Case studies into how these concepts play out in practice*

In addition, you will examine:

- Various testamentary trusts including discretionary trusts, rights of residence, capital protected trusts, protective trusts, superannuation proceeds trusts and special disability trusts
- Unusual circumstances, instructions and clauses including gifts for pets, gifts of shares in companies, gifts of real property, succession of control of trusts and self-managed superannuation funds
- Overseas assets: how to deal with testators with overseas assets
- The interplay of superannuation and the will
- Your legal professional responsibilities

Facilitated by:

Marie Brownell, Director, Estate Planning and Administration, NSW Trustee and Guardian; Accredited Specialist in Wills and Estates Law; Lecturer, College of Law

Josephine Pignataro, Special Counsel, HWL Ebsworth Lawyers Sydney; Accredited Specialist in Wills and Estates Law; Adjunct Lecturer, College of Law

MARIE BROWNELL, DIRECTOR, ESTATE PLANNING AND ADMINISTRATION, NSW TRUSTEE AND GUARDIAN

Marie was admitted as a solicitor in 2004 and became an Accredited Specialist in Wills and Estates in 2009. She has worked exclusively in administering and advising clients on estates and trusts matters including duties, rights and responsibilities of executors, trustees and beneficiaries. She works directly with brokers, financial planners, accountants and individuals in providing expert, tailored advice on all aspects of estate planning and estate and trust matters. Marie has previously lectured at University of Western Sydney on Planning for Retirement as part of the master's degree in financial planning. Marie currently lectures at the College of Law in the Estate Planning units as part of the Master of Applied Law (Wills and Estates).

JOSEPHINE PIGNATARO, SPECIAL COUNSEL, HWL EBSWORTH LAWYERS

Josephine was admitted as a solicitor in 2003. She became an Accredited Specialist in Wills and Estates Law in 2009. Her wills and estates practice includes estate planning, contested and uncontested grants of representation, estate litigation and advice work on a range of estate issues. Josephine has a Masters of Laws from the University of New South Wales. She is also an adjunct lecturer for the College of Law in the Applied Masters of Laws (Wills and Estates) program.

WHAT PAST ATTENDEES SAY ABOUT MARIE AND JOSEPHINE'S WORKSHOPS

“*Very useful and practical advice on how to draft a will.*”

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4 CPD UNITS

- 2 CPD units in Substantive Law
- 2 CPD units in Professional Skills



STRATA LAW INTENSIVE: LEGISLATIVE SHIFTS, SUSTAINABILITY & SAFETY LIABILITIES

THURSDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

\$505
252N08

With sweeping changes to the *Strata Schemes Management Act* and the recent case of *SafeWork NSW v Maluko Pty Ltd*, where an owner's corporation was held criminally liable under WHS duties, take this opportunity to catch up on the latest legislative and case law updates. Consider the issues of managing EV chargers, WHS concerns and strata renewal plus much more, and leave feeling assured in your ability to advise regarding strata law.

Chair: **Derek Hand**, Barrister, Greenway Chambers; Leading Construction & Infrastructure Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*, *Best Lawyers 2024*, Construction & Infrastructure

DESIGN AND BUILDING PRACTITIONERS ACT UPDATE

- The scheme of the Act and practical application and implications
- Recent authorities that have considered the Act
- Arguments before the High Ct in *Pafbun Pty Ltd v The Owners - Strata Plan No 84674*

Presented by **Richard Cheney SC**, Greenway Chambers; Leading Construction & Infrastructure Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

STRATA UPDATE: LEGISLATION AND CASE LAW

- Potential strata title amendments in response to the NetStrata investigation and/or relating to strata managers disclosures and commissions Community Title amendments relating to keeping animals
- Recent cases: Owners Corporation's obligation to maintain and repair common property and what constitutes "harsh, unconscionable and oppressive"

Presented by **Allison Benson**, Principal, Kerin Benson Lawyers; Member, ACSL Committee

WHS ISSUES FOR OWNERS CORPORATIONS AND STRATA MANAGERS

- WHS obligations of owner's corporations, strata managers and officeholders
- Contractor management and incident management
- Psychosocial risks and Respect@Work
- Recent developments and recent cases including *SafeWork NSW v Maluko Pty Ltd*
- Consequences for non-compliance and penalties

Presented by **Bill Kritharas**, Partner, Sparke Helmore Lawyers; Recommended Workplace Health & Safety Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES IN STRATA: EV CHARGERS, SOLAR PANELS AND EMBEDDED NETWORKS AND THE LEGAL ISSUES TO BE OVERCOME

- Legislative framework for retrofits of common property, and navigating the approvals
- The fire risks to apartment buildings, and the new State Government Regulations to apply to lithium-ion battery charging of E-bikes and E-scooters
- Embedded Networks in apartment buildings

Presented by **Tom Bacon**, CEO & Principal Lawyer, Strata Title Lawyers

STRATA RENEWAL ISSUES: NEW COMPARED WITH TRADITIONAL

- Examine and compare methods under both New and Traditional Strata Renewal
- Review of case studies, including the controversial Mascot Towers decision and consideration of areas for reform to allow better access to New Strata Renewal

Presented by **Elly Ashley**, Partner, Holding Redlich; Accredited Specialist in Property Law; Deputy Chair of the UDIA NSW Strata and Building Regulations Committee

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CONSUMER AND COMPETITION LAW CONCERNS IN 2025

THURSDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

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Ensure that you are across the three key developments in consumer and competition law. Delve into competitive pricing practices. Peek behind the curtain of privacy law reform and its impact on Australian Consumer & Competition Law. Brace for impact as mandatory merger clearance lands in Australia.

Chair: **Jodie Sangster**, Chief Marketing Officer, IBM Australia Limited

WAS/NOW DOWN/OUT? SPOTLIGHT ON COMPETITIVE PRICING PRACTICES

- Examine laws and principles governing price and sale advertising
- Penalties and risks
- Recent enforcements and actions in these areas including Coles and Woolworths
- Best practices for compliance and risk mitigation

Presented by **Matt Hansen**, Partner, Ansimoff Legal

PRIVACY REFORM UNVEILED: IMPACTS ON AUSTRALIAN CONSUMER AND COMPETITION LAW

- Misleading and deceptive conduct arising from privacy practices, including ACCC enforcement action
- Proposed new security standards and recall procedures for connected products
- Consideration of merger controls on data related transactions
- Update on market studies into competition in digital markets
- Other relevant considerations under the recent privacy, cyber and AI reforms

Presented by **Bronwyn Furse**, Partner, Thomson Greer; Recognised in Intellectual Property Law, *Best Lawyers* 2025

MANDATORY MERGER CLEARANCE COMING TO AUSTRALIA: WHAT IS MEANS FOR M&A

- Background to the Legislative reforms
- The thresholds for Mandatory Clearance (and what amounts to an "acquisition")
- The time lines and the process changes
- Changes to the substantive law & next steps in 2025 and 2026

Presented by **Ayman Guirguis**, Partner, K&L Gates; *Legal 500* Asia Pacific Leading Individual for Competition and Trade in Australia, 2024, *Best Lawyers in Australia* Competition Law, 2025



ENVIRONMENTAL REFORM UPDATE

THURSDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$420
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Gain guidance on recent case law and legislative reform that will assist your environmental and planning practice. Obtain essential insights into the complexities of managing compulsory land acquisition claims. Be prepared for reformed environmental legislation and the national and state levels and the implications of the changes that have already come into effect, and their effects on planning practice. Ensure that you stay on top of the impact of recent climate change decisions.

Chair: **Joanna Ling**, Special Counsel, Thomson Geer

NAVIGATING PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL REFORMS

- Nature Positive law reforms: proposed reforms to the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act)*
- Implications of introduction of new National Environmental Standards
- NSW Plan for Nature: proposed NSW reforms to the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* and the *Local Land Services Act 2013*
- Where to from here?

Presented by **Alison Thorp**, Senior Associate, Hall & Wilcox

RECENT CLIMATE CHANGE DECISIONS

- Key planning decisions
- Commonwealth reforms
- Implications for planning decisions

Presented by **Mark Bartley**, Special Counsel, Russell Kennedy

COMPULSORY LAND ACQUISITION

- Interests in land: who can make a claim for compensation
- What can be claimed: recent decisions of the NSW Land and Environment Court and Court of Appeal
- Potential reforms to the legislation – bringing in NSW Provisions into other jurisdictions

Presented by **Tom White**, Partner, Lander & Rogers

PFAS CONTAMINATION IN AUSTRALIA

Presented by **Craig Tidemann**, Partner, Thomson Geer; *Best Lawyers*, Planning and Environmental Law 2016 – 2025, Water Law 2020 - 2025, Water Lawyer of the Year 2021



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MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE CLAIMS AND LIABILITY

FRIDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2025
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Step into the world of cutting-edge medical law and tackle the most topical medical negligence issues. Examine the current landscape, challenges, and opportunities in class actions involving medical technologies, defective drugs, devices, and product liability claims. Get critical updates on recent decisions under NSW's *Civil Liability Act 2002*, and on breach of duty and causation. Gain fresh insights from the Parliamentary inquiry into birth trauma. Plus, hear from a leading cosmetic surgeon on the risks and common mistakes in cosmetic procedures.

Chair: **David Higgs SC**, 12 Wentworth Selborne Chambers

MEDICAL PRODUCTS, PRODUCT LIABILITY AND CLASS ACTIONS: PROSPECTS AND PITFALLS

- New medical technologies and potential liability for defective devices and drugs
- Lessons from recent class action litigation arising out of defective drugs and devices
- Distinguishing product liability claims against manufacturers and suppliers of defective drugs and devices and medical negligence claims against health care providers

Presented by **Dr Peter Cashman**, Barrister, Third Floor Wentworth Chambers; Adjunct Professor of Law, University NSW Faculty of Law & Justice; *Best Lawyers 2024*, Class Action Litigation

COMPETENT PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE AND S.50 CIVIL LIABILITY ACT 2002 (NSW): CURRENT STATE OF PLAY

- The elements of the defence
- What evidence is required to establish the defence?
- Procedural pitfalls and tips as to pleadings and particulars
- A discussion of recent cases

Presented by **Teni Berberian**, Barrister, 13 Wentworth Chambers; *Best Lawyers 2024*, Insurance Law and Medical Negligence

CATCHING UP ON RECENT DECISIONS: LATEST IN BREACH OF DUTY AND CAUSATION AND OTHER ISSUES

Explore the latest decisions on Breach of Duty, Causation and other key issues. Stay informed on recent case law and gain practical insights on the relevance of these cases in your practice and medical negligence.

Presented by **Antonia Quinlivan**, Barrister, Greenway Chambers

INDUSTRY UPDATE: PARLIAMENTARY ENQUIRY INTO BIRTH TRAUMA (OBSTETRICS VIOLENCE)

- Final Report and recommendations
- Government response
- Practical application

Presented by **Dr Anna Walsh**, Lecturer, University of Notre Dame, Legal Consultant

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COSMETIC SURGERY AND DOCTORS PERFORMING BADLY: 'COSMETIC COWBOYS'

- Surgical training, titles and differences between plastic and cosmetic surgery
- Types of procedures that being done badly eg tattoo removals
- Exploration of types of medical mishaps that result in claims being initiated
- What is the current opinion by the medical industry

Presented by **Dr Gavin Sandercoe**, Plastic Surgeon

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DATA PRIVACY AND CYBER SECURITY LAW REFORMS INTENSIVE

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Attend a crucial exploration of data privacy and cybersecurity and explore updates such as new automated decision-making laws, changes to data security requirements and the implications of emerging penalties and privacy codes. Following the recent privacy and AI reforms, the Commonwealth government has introduced a new package of proposed legislation, including the Cyber Security Bill 2024 and amendments to the *Intelligence Services Act 2001* and the *Security of Critical Infrastructure Act 2018*. Take this valuable opportunity to engage with exceptional legal luminaries and deepen your understanding of the evolving legal landscape in data protection and cybersecurity.

Chair: **Eli Fisher**, Senior Legal Counsel, Paramount

DATA PRIVACY UPDATES AND IMPLICATIONS

- New automated decision making law (AI and related operations)
- The change to the APP11 regarding data security: technical organisation measures
- New powers of Minister
- New penalties and the OAIC's power to issue infringement notices
- New cause of action for serious Invasions of privacy and potential impact on health information
- New Privacy Code for children
- Doxxing offences

Presented by **Patrick Fair**, Principal, Patrick Fair and Associates; Adjunct Professor, School of Information Technology, Deakin University; Author *Practical Guidance Cybersecurity, Data Protection and Privacy*, Lexis Nexis

MARTECH, PROFILING AND AUDIENCE SEGMENTATION AFTER NEW RULES ABOUT AI AND AUTOMATED DECISION MAKING

- Activities of the Federal government with a new panel and new codes of practice
- International developments in AI and copyright
- New tools and traps

Presented by **Prof. Peter Leonard**, Principal, Data Synergies; Part-time Professor of Practice, UNSW Sydney Business School; Member, Australian Treasury's Data Standards Advisory Committee and the NSW Government AI Review Committee

CYBERSECURITY DEVELOPMENTS

- AI and the effect on cybersecurity
- Government information-sharing proposals
- Supply-chain risks and joint liability for cloud-based data
- Systematic versus human risk

Presented by **Paul Forbes**, Partner, Baker McKenzie

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FAMILY LAW DRAFTING: AGREEMENTS, APPLICATIONS AND AFFIDAVITS

WEDNESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

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Get your Family Law Court documents right! It is absolutely essential. Gain valuable and practical insights into drafting key documents. Enhance your expertise in drafting and enforcing binding financial agreements, with a focus on content and enforceability. Gain lessons from recent cases on drafting effective child support agreements, backed by legislative insights and real-life examples. Her Honour Judge Eldershaw will provide you guidance on crafting affidavits and common pitfalls. Develop a strategic approach to drafting interim and interlocutory applications, ensuring each document is clear, purposeful, and impactful.

Chair: **Cathie Blanchfield**, Principal, Blanchfield Nicholls Family & Private Advisory

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DRAFTING AND ENFORCEMENT OF BINDING FINANCIAL AGREEMENTS

- Practical considerations as to content and enforceability
- Challenging financial agreements and validity of financial agreements
- Tips and traps

Presented by **Paul Fildes**, Principal, Taussig Cherie Fildes Family Lawyers; Accredited Family Law Specialist, Family Law Arbitrator and Mediator

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CHILD SUPPORT AGREEMENTS: LEGISLATION AND CASE UPDATE

- A look at recent cases where Courts and tribunals have interpreted and applied the legislation in relation to Child Support Agreements
- Novel approaches to Child Support Agreements
- Termination of Child Support Agreements

Presented by **Tim Gough**, Director, FarrarGesiniDunn; Accredited Specialist in Family Law; *Best Lawyers Australia*, Family Law 2025

VIEW FROM THE BENCH

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DRAFTING AFFIDAVITS: A VIEW FROM THE BENCH

Presented by Her Honour Judge Gillian Eldershaw, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2)

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DRAFTING INTERIM OR INTERLOCUTORY APPLICATIONS REQUIRES CAREFUL THOUGHT AS TO STRATEGY, CONTENT AND PURPOSE

- Complying with the pre-filing rules
- Following the Central Practice Direction
- Evidence and disclosure
- Getting your Orders in order

Presented by **Adam Cooper**, Principal, Cooper Family Law



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NOT-FOR-PROFIT & CHARITIES LAW: LEGISLATION, GOVERNANCE & COMPLIANCE

WEDNESDAY, 26 FEBRUARY 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

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Gain a best practice guide to the current landscape of governance and compliance in the Australian Not for Profit Sector. Benefit from a comprehensive examination of creating the best legal structures and strategic choices for the operation of NFP organisations, a deep dive on tax, financial reporting and accessing/ leveraging debt financing and, finally, gain much needed practical tips on employment law advice.

Chair: **Sue Barker**; Director, Charity Law Association of Australia and New Zealand

THE NOT-FOR-PROFIT LANDSCAPE IN AUSTRALIA: A GUIDE TO CHARITY STRUCTURES AND OPTIONS

- Structuring not-for-profit organisations, charity types and philanthropic vehicles
- Starting and operating a not-for-profit: strategic choices, maintaining the right structure and keeping to purpose

Presented by **Seak-King Huang**, Partner, Milner + Huang; Member, Charities and Not-for-profits Committee, Law Council of Australia; Director, Charity Law Association of Australia and New Zealand

NAVIGATING TAX AND REPORTING FOR CHARITIES, NOT-FOR-PROFIT AND PRO BONO

- Charities, not-for-profits and maintaining income tax exemption, including developments
- ACNC's requirements and tips for gaining and retaining registration
- Unpacking the Cy Pres doctrine, how to make a successful Cy Pres application, and recent cases

Presented by **Dr Philip Bender**, Barrister and Nationally Accredited Mediator, List A Barristers; Member of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand

ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO ACCESSING AND LEVERAGING DEBT FOR IMPACT

- What debt is and demystify terms, such as senior debt, subordinated debt, mezzanine debt, secured and unsecured loans, and capital debt
- Stack and tiered ranking (such as first / second ranking debt)
- The most common debt instruments – loan agreements, facility agreements, social loan notes, and what they typically cover (including intercreditor arrangements)
- Charity compliance in the context of debt financing
- Explore a real-life community housing project, showing debt in practice in the charity sphere

Presented by **Darren Fittler**, Partner, Gilbert + Tobin, Charities + Social Sector Group, and **Spiro Papadoulas**, Partner, Gilbert + Tobin Partner, Banking + Projects Group

MANAGING EMPLOYMENT LAW CHALLENGES IN CHARITIES AND NOT FOR PROFIT ORGANISATIONS

- Updates and new legislation in employment law you need to know about
- Managing questionable behaviour inside and outside of work
- Dealing with misconduct vs performance
- Navigating workplace investigations: best practice processes and pitfalls

Presented by **Alistair Macpherson**, Director, Vocare Law (formerly Corney & Lind Lawyers)

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INSURANCE LAW INTENSIVE: INVESTIGATIONS, CLAIMS AND RECENT CASES

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Delve into the complex world of insurance and reinsurance, with a special focus on the new mandatory climate disclosure rules and mitigating the risk of cybercrime. Gain practical tips for claims handling and conducting an effective investigation. Receive expert guidance to manage and reduce clients' exposure to climate threats. Unravel building and construction insurance policies and catch up on recent Court decisions impacting the insurance industry.

Chair: **Melanie Quixley**, Principal, Barry Nilsson; President of the National Board of the Australian Insurance Law Association (AILA)

INSURANCE INVESTIGATIONS AND THE CLAIMS-HANDLING PROCESS: TIPS, CHALLENGES AND TRENDS

Presented by **Garth Williams**, Partner, MinterEllison Consulting

NAVIGATING REINSURANCE

- What is reinsurance and how does it work?
- Overview of the reinsurance market in Australia
- Role of reinsurance in a dispute
- Emerging risks and trends

Presented by **Michelle Fox**, Partner, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan; Recognised in *Doyle's Guide*

NAVIGATING INSURANCE ISSUES IN BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION WORKS

- Building and construction insurance policies in Australia – types and emerging trends
- Approaches to risk allocation and the importance of insurance
- Breakdown of covered risks and how to select the right policies
- Insuring clauses, common exclusions and conditions
- Interpreting policies: practical tips and recent Court decisions

Presented by **Keith Thomas**, Principal, Meridian Lawyers; Recommended professional indemnity lawyer, *Doyle's Guide*

CYBER INSURANCE AND CYBER RISK CLAIMS: LEGAL AND COMPLIANCE CONSIDERATIONS

- Current cyber landscape and trends
- Overview of cyber insurance coverage
- Incident response and claims process – the lifecycle of a cyber claim
- Key legal and regulatory considerations arising from cyber incidents

Presented by **Ellie Brooks**, Senior Associate, Cyber & Technology, Wotton + Kearney

THE CLIMATE OPPORTUNITY IN BUSINESS INSURANCE

- The intersection between climate and the new mandatory climate disclosure rules
- Satisfying Directors and officers liability (D&O) insurance policies
- Recent greenwashing cases, and their significance for insurance lawyers

Presented by **Tomo Boston KC**, Barrister, List G Barristers



LITIGATION SKILLS LUNCHTIME SERIES

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Chair: **Lisa Gooneratne**, Special Counsel, HWLE Lawyers

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EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION FOR A SUCCESSFUL LITIGATION

- Drafting effective communication/advice to your client: What works and doesn't?
- How to avoid your communication being lost in translation
- Tips when picking up the phone to the other side
- Where it can go wrong: examples of common mistake and valuable tips

Presented by **Stacy Miller**, Partner, Cronin Miller; Recommended Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolutions Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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LEGAL PROFESSIONAL PRIVILEGE IN THE CONTEXT OF DISCOVERY

- Understanding legal professional privilege, including the types of privilege that exist
- Maintenance and waiver of legal professional privilege
- Discovery and how to make a claim for legal professional privilege
- Challenging claims to legal professional privilege
- Some relevant ethical issues

Presented by **Eu-Min Teng**, Special Counsel, McComish Legal

FRIDAY, 14 MARCH 2025
1.00PM TO 2.00PM

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✓ *Professional Skills*

ENTERING SETTLEMENT DISCUSSIONS DURING TRIAL

- Negotiating a settlement outline and documenting it
- How to settle a part heard claim
- Documenting the Agreement: What form should it take?
- Does the court have the power to enforce it
- Penalties and other enforcement mechanisms
- Procedural issues: what the court requires while you are negotiating a settlement and how to keep the matter moving in case the settlement negotiations fail

Presented by **Rhea Thrift**, Barrister, 7 Wentworth Selborne



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WATER LAW SYMPOSIUM

FRIDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

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The Water Law Symposium 2025 with its uniquely multi-disciplinary approach offers a premier platform for professionals in water regulation and policy to enrich your understanding of water management issues. Gain a deep dive into the current regulatory frameworks and anticipated policy shifts in Water regulation in the Murray Darling Basin. Navigate river restoration reforms and the evolving Murray-Darling Basin water markets. Gain valuable insights into water law and compliance throughout the Basin and water industry competition. Review the Indigenous water rights and water policy and regulation.

SESSION 1: NATIONAL REVAMP OF THE NATIONAL WATER INITIATIVE

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 252N18A

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Chair: **Mike Young**, Professor Emeritus, Water and Environmental Policy, University of Adelaide

MURRAY DARLING BASIN: UNDERSTANDING THE ISSUES WITH NORTH & SOUTH CONNECTIVITY

- The NSW Independent Connectivity Expert Panel's findings to the NSW Government
- Key recommendations of the NSW Independent Connectivity Expert Panel
- Importance of precautionary principle when implementing recommendations

Presented by **Amy Dula**, Director of Programs, Natural Resources Commission -- Chair of the Independent Connectivity Expert Panel

BASIN PLAN 2012 (CTH) AND 2026 BASIN PLAN REVIEW

- Reflections and insights on the current regulatory framework for water management in the Basin
- Basin Plan Review: policy issues and regulatory design

Presented by **Grace Mang**, General Manager, Murray Darling Basin Authority

EXAMINATION OF RIVER RESTORATION REFORMS

- A progress report on the *Restoring Our Rivers Act 2023*
 - › Answering questions on the efficacy of the program: Is river health actually being improved?
 - › The clash between the buybacks tender approach in distorting the market in ways that would not be permitted for any market participant under the reforms in the *Restoring Our Rivers Act 2023* that come into effect in 2026
- Implications of legal action being taken against SDLAM 605 projects, and what that means for meeting the *Restoring Our Rivers Act* deadlines. What are the consequences for farmers, communities and environment if deadlines are missed?

Presented by **Claire Miller**, CEO, NSW Irrigators' Council

IMPLEMENTATION OF MURRAY-DARLING BASIN WATER MARKET REFORMS

- New transparency and integrity framework for Basin water markets under the *Water Act 2007*
- Context, overview and implementation

Presented by **Cynthia Tupicoff**, Director and **Emma Solomon** Branch Head, Commonwealth, Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water

WATER LAW AND COMPLIANCE

- Background of the water laws in Australia and at state level in NSW, VIC and SA
- Role of water management agencies (including WaterNSW)
- Compliance requirements for water users (providing examples of case law)

Presented by **Emily Livingston**, Senior Associate, Thomson Geer

SESSION 2: NAVIGATING WATER LAW & CLIMATE CHANGE

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 252N18B

\$420

THE WATER IMPLICATIONS OF MAJOR POLICY SHIFTS

- Outline of key climate related policy shifts and related water issues
- Water access and other water related challenges in NSW
- Water access and other water related opportunities in NSW

Presented by **Jo Ong**, Associate Director, EMM Consulting and **Vanessa O'Keefe**, Associate Director, EMM Consulting

WATER INDUSTRY COMPETITION IN NSW: A NEW DAWN

- Typical urban water and wastewater services dynamics
- Introduction of competition
- Challenges in regulating an essential services market
- Reforms in NSW – making the market more robust

Presented by **Nick Thomas**, Partner, Clayton Utz

INTERSECTING POLICY AND INDIGENOUS WATER RIGHTS: A PANEL DISCUSSION

- Governance arrangements that allow water entitlements for First Nations communities
- Closing the gap
- Understanding instructive & consumptive labels

Presented by

Kathryn Ridge, Solicitor Director, Ridge & Associates Pty Ltd
Rebecca Halliday, Principal, GIRA Advisory
Vanessa O'Keefe, Associate Director, EMM Consulting

IN FOCUS: DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISMS IN ENERGY CONTRACTS

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Chair: **Kristian Maley**, Counsel, Clifford Chance

- Risks and opportunities of the energy transition
- Supply chain disruptions in the energy sector
- Overview of collaborative contracting
- A focus on dispute resolution mechanisms
 - › Boilerplate provisions including governing law, jurisdiction, and arbitration clauses
 - › Multi-tiered dispute resolution
 - › Pathological clauses
 - › Split dispute resolution clauses
 - › Joint venture disputes

Presented by **Daniel Allman**, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright Australia

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SESSION 1: AN EVIDENCE MASTERCLASS

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 252N19A

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Chair: **Vera Culkoff**, Barrister, 2 Selborne Chambers

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Presented by **The Hon. Justice Richard Weinstein**, Supreme Court of New South Wales

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EXPERT EVIDENCE AND ETHICAL AND PROFESSIONAL OBLIGATIONS: A BARRISTER AND (MEDICAL) EXPERT IN CONVERSATION

- Is an expert needed; choosing the right expert; approaching the expert; using a single court appointed expert; choosing the documents, assumptions and drafting the letter of instruction; the report itself setting out any opinion; the Code of Conduct; conferences with experts; expert conclaves; and experts giving evidence in Court
- Related ethical issues: ethical and professional issues working with experts, and the care that needs to be taken in maintaining clear professional and ethical boundaries

Presented by **Dr Hayley Bennett SC**, New Chambers and **Professor John Watson AM**, Sydney Adventist Hospital

AFFIDAVIT EVIDENCE OF CONVERSATIONS: DIFFERING VIEWS BETWEEN FEDERAL COURT AND THE NSW COURT OF APPEAL

- History: direct versus indirect evidence of conversations and early admissibility risks
- Ground zero: *Kane's Hire Pty Ltd v Anderson Aviation Australia Pty Ltd* [2023] FCA 381 (Jackman J)
- Early cases following *Kane's Hire* (early adoption):
 - › *Gan v Xie* [2023] NSWCA 163; (2023) (White JA, Simson AJA, and Basten AJA)
 - › *Lantrak Holdings Pty Ltd v Yammine* [2023] (Lee, Button, and Jackman JJ)
 - › *Chu v Lin, Gold Stone Capital Pty Ltd* [2024] [11] (Jackman J and the adverse credibility finding)
- The science: what do the psychologists say?
- More recent cases (defences of the New South Wales practice)
 - › *Chen v Chu* [2024] (Hammerschlag CJ in Eq)
 - › *Wild v Meduri* [2024] (Bell CJ, and White and Kirk JJA)
- Practical guidance: How to draft an affidavit containing conversation evidence and avoid the risks

Presented by **Alexander Vial**, Barrister, 5 Wentworth Chambers

HEARSAY RULE AND A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO ESTABLISHING THE EXCEPTION TO THE HEARSAY RULE

Presented by **Michelle Painter SC**, Barrister, Nine Selborne Chambers; Recommended Wills & Estates Litigation Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE TREATMENT OF COMPLEX EXPERT EVIDENCE: FROM THOSE LEADING AND GIVING EVIDENCE

Presented by **Kirralee Young**, Barrister, 13th Floor, St James Hall and **Ben Mahler**, Partner, KordaMentha

SESSION 2: MASTERING YOUR ADVOCACY SKILLS: INSIGHTS FROM THE EXPERTS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 252N19B

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Chair: **Vahan Bedrossian SC**, Wardell Chambers

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STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS FOR ORAL EVIDENCE

- Lay and opinion evidence
- Cross examination
- Strategies of Cross Examination and Evidence in Chief: How you can prepare expert witnesses

Presented by **Michelle Campbell**, Barrister, Sir Anthony Mason Chambers

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THE ART AND CRAFT OF MEDIATION ADVOCACY

- How are mediation advocacy and litigation advocacy similar and different?
- What is the scope of adversarial and partisan conduct in mediation advocacy
- Preparation is key: What needs to be done?
- Position Papers
- Joint sessions
- Positional bargaining
- The "endgame"
- The ethical minefield

Presented by **Hugh Stowe**, Barrister, 5 Wentworth Chambers

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URGENT ADVOCACY

- When is it urgent and when can it wait
- How to effectively communicate the urgency to the court
- 'Getting your ducks in a row'
- Interlocutory Applications and Injunctions

Presented by **Anthony Cheshire SC**, 8th Floor Wentworth Chambers; Leading Wills & Estates Litigation Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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SESSION 1: CYBER SECURITY, PRIVACY, WHS AND EMPLOYMENT

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Chair: **Philip Jones-Hope**, Partner, Holding Redlich

WHS UPDATE

Hear the latest on managing WHS in your workplace

Presented by **Maxine Feletti**, Partner, Sparke Helmore Lawyers, *Best Lawyers 2023*, Government and Insurance Law

HOT TOPICS IN EMPLOYMENT LAW FOR THE PUBLIC SECTOR: WHAT'S ON THE HORIZON IN 2025?

- Review the new landscape for industrial relations and bargaining across the public sector
- Identify the impacts of Australian Public Service Commission's bargaining policy on agency-level bargaining
- Discuss how to manage disputes about the interpretation and application of the Common Conditions and their broader implications for APS and non-APS agencies
- Reviewing the impacts of flexible working, the Right to Disconnect and the ongoing effect of the Closing Loopholes amendments

Presented by **Daniel D'Onofrio**, Managing Principal, Adiem Law

FROM BRIEFCASE TO CYBERSPACE: CYBER SECURITY CONSIDERATIONS FOR GOVERNMENT LAWYERS

Gain practical guidance on how to deal with breaches at your agency directly or from your suppliers.

- Prevalence of cyber security threats across Australia
- Identify where these cyber security threats are coming from, and the who, what and how of attacks against government and government suppliers
- Consequences of a cyber breach and what this can mean for the Government and the community it supports
- What lawyers should do, with the executive, IT security teams, to prepare for breaches
- Step through the role that legal can play when a breach occurs, both against a government entity directly, and through its supply chain

Presented by **Annie Hagger**, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright Australia

SESSION 2: DECISION MAKING AND LITIGATION IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

10.45AM TO 3.15PM 232C01B

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Chair: **Karl Pattenden**, Barrister, Key Chambers

ON-GOING CHALLENGES WITH AUTOMATED DECISION MAKING IN THE AFTERMATH OF ROBODEBT

Presented by **Ashley Tsacalos**, Partner, Clayton Utz

MANAGING PRIVACY RISK IN PROGRAM DESIGN AND DELIVERY

Presented by **Natalie Butler**, Partner, Mills Oakley

✓ *Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility*

THE MODEL LITIGANT

- Who must be a model litigant?
- What makes a model litigant?
- What are the expected standards of behaviour and guidelines?

Presented by **Sonja Gasser**, Principal Solicitor, ACT Government Solicitor

✓ *Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility*

HARMAN UNDERTAKING: WHAT YOU CAN AND CAN'T DO WITH DOCUMENTS

Unpack the implied Harman undertaking and the use of documents obtained as a result of compulsory processes of the court

- What can the documents be used for?
- When will usage be for a collateral or ulterior purpose, and thus prohibited?
- How do you get released from it?

Presented by **Brodie Buckland**, Barrister, Blackburn Chambers; Leading Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution Barrister - ACT, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

SESSION 3: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR GOVERNMENT LAWYERS

3.30PM TO 6.30PM 252C01C

\$420

Chair: **John Harris**, Founding Partner, O'Connor Harris & Co

✓ *Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility*

PROCUREMENT PROCESSES: WHAT DOES IT REALLY MEAN TO ACT ETHICALLY AND COMPLY WITH YOUR PROBITY REQUIREMENTS?

- Current legislative framework and policies setting out obligations and requirements
- What is ethical behaviour really in a procurement process?
- Complying with probity requirements beyond a probity briefing
- Snapshot of recent published reports by ANAO and other authorities

Presented by **Vanessa Flowers**, Principal, McInnes Wilson Lawyers

✓ *Professional Skills*

PRINCIPLES FOR STATUTORY INTERPRETATION

With more legislation passed every day, it is essential to know how to apply the principles of statutory interpretation.

- Examine with the modern approach to statutory interpretation, how to make use of the interpretation legislation in all jurisdictions

Presented by **Christopher Erskine SC**, Blackburn Chambers

✓ *Practice Management & Business Skills*

MANAGING THE USE OF AI TOOLS WITHOUT BREACHING PRIVACY AND LEGAL OBLIGATIONS

- Privacy and other legal challenges Government agencies face when looking to use AI tools to assist them with their work, or to engage contractors who will
- Examine the current Australian Government governance frameworks, and learn practical guardrails and other tips to help agencies stay within legal boundaries

Presented by **Kathrine Armytage**, Partner, Maddocks; *Legal 500 Asia Pacific Guide*, Leading Individual for Data Protection, 2024 and **Gavan Mackenzie**, Partner, Maddocks

ATTEND THE FULL DAY AND EARN

10 CPD UNITS

- 5 CPD units in Substantive Law
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- 1 CPD unit in Practice Management & Business Skills
- 1 CPD unit in Professional Skills



10 POINTS IN ONE DAY IN PARRAMATTA

THURSDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2025

7.30AM TO 6.30PM

This is it! Join a jam-packed day with 18 presentations in key areas of law including your ethics, professional skills and practice management, pick and choose the sessions that suit you to ensure real learning outcomes.

STREAM A: DIGITAL SIGNATURE RISKS AND PROPERTY LAW UPDATES

7.30AM TO 10.30AM 252P01A

\$420

OR

STREAM B: FAMILY LAW UPDATES, CASES AND WILLS DISPUTES

7.30AM TO 10.30AM 252P01B

\$420

Chair: **Ian Dunwoodie**, Consultant, Benchmark Lawyers

THE LEGAL RISKS OF DIGITAL EXECUTION (OR ARE THEY AS GOOD AS WET-INK SIGNATURES)?

Presented by **Jessica Diep**, Partner, Maclarens Lawyers

COMMERCIAL LEASING UPDATES: UNFAIR CONTRACT TERMS: THE IMPACT ON LEASING TRANSACTIONS

- The development of the Unfair Contract Terms regime
- The trend toward mitigating the imbalance in bargaining power in leasing transactions
- Common leasing provisions susceptible to being captured by the regime
- Tips and tricks for complying with the regime or utilising it in negotiations

Presented by **Sam Darwish**, Principal, Civic Lawyers Australia

✓ *Professional Skills*

PROPERTY PULSE: MARKET SNAPSHOT

In an ever-evolving property market, it's vital you keep up with changing dynamics to recalibrate your strategy where needed.

- Consider the impact of higher interest rates and inflation on all sectors
- Examine office and industrial property trends and consider the impact on your property practice
- Explore the changing property investment landscape and the growth of emerging sectors like build-to-rent

Presented by **Chris Naughtin**, National Director, Capital Markets, Research, Savills Australia

Chair: **Mary Rebehy**, Barrister and Mediator, Lachlan Macquarie Chambers

FAMILY LAW: CASE LAW AND LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Presented by **Shanna Mahony**, Barrister, Lachlan Macquarie Chambers

WHAT CAN YOUR CLIENT KEEP? HOW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CASES ARE IMPACTING FAMILY LAW

Presented by **Geovanna Jammo**, Director, Evolve Family Lawyers; Accredited Specialist Family Lawyer

WHEN POWERS OF ATTORNEY BECOME POWERS OF DISASTER: FROM 'TRUST ME' TO 'TRUST NO-ONE'

- Risk management in the preparation of powers of attorney
- Advising principals and attorneys
- Tips and traps for solicitors
- Latest case law on powers of attorney

Presented by **Katelin Whitley**, Principal, Bestic Law; Accredited Specialist, Property and Wills & Estates Law, Leading Wills, Estates and Succession Planning Lawyer

WILLS DISPUTES

Presented by **Paul Evans**, Partner, Makinson D'Apice; Preeminent Wills, Estates & Succession Planning Lawyers, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

SESSION 2: PLENARY SESSION: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR ALL LAWYERS

10.45AM TO 1.45PM 252P01C

\$420

Chair: **Brenda Tronson**, Barrister, Level 22 Chambers

✓ *Ethics and Professional Responsibility*

RETHINKING, REBUILDING AND REIMAGINING RISKS IN YOUR PRACTICE

- Legal ethics is not an elective. It is the only way to practise law
- Informing oneself about risk and managing risk are part and parcel of legal practice...
- But taking risk without regard to ethics is not taking risk at all, it is recklessness
- Consider ethics as the way to practice law, gaining case studies along the way

Presented by **David Ash**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers

✓ *Practice Management and Business Skills*

10 IMMEDIATE ACTIONS THAT GENERATE REVENUE & CASH

- Why you should change your attitude and behaviour to business development
- The profit model all successful businesses must master
- How the answers to 3 simple questions can change your financial life
- The 'must implement' ideas to drive revenue growth in the new modern world

Presented by **Alistair Marshall**, Founder and Director at Professional Services Business Development

✓ *Professional Skills*

DUE DILIGENCE FOR BUSINESS AND PROPERTY PURCHASES

- Inputs to due diligence planning including risk analysis
- Contracts conditional on due diligence or preliminary terms permitting due diligence
- The disclosure bundle being fairly disclosed: case examples
- Example lists of issues for DD for business and property purchases
- A workshoped hypothetical

Presented by **Selwyn Black**, Partner, Carroll & O'Dea Lawyers; Accredited Specialist in Business Law

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- 1 CPD unit in Ethics and Professional Responsibility

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Plus earn all your CPD units in just one day. Whether you stay the whole day or just the sessions that you need, this is an invaluable opportunity to stay square away your CPD points plus stay current without having to travel to the CBD.

STREAM A: THE LATEST IN CONTRACTS, BUSINESS LAW, EMPLOYMENT AND INSOLVENCY

2.15PM TO 6.30PM 252P01D

\$505

OR

STREAM B: CONTRACTS, GUARANTEES AND MEDIATION

2.15PM TO 6.30PM 252P01E

\$505

Chair **Greg Martin**, Principal, Martin Bullock Lawyers

LEGAL STRATEGIES AND RISK MANAGEMENT IN YOUR CONTRACTS

- Using contracts to cap and avoid liability for risks
- How to use contracts to cap or exclude liability: legal do's and don'ts
- Why capping or excluding liability can be a reasonable thing to do
- Why your contract counterparty might accept a liability cap
- Negotiating exclusion and limitation clauses

Presented by **Owen Hayford**, Principal, Infralegal, Leading Front End Construction, Infrastructure & Major Projects Lawyers, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

✓ *Practice Management and Business Skills*

CYBER RESILIENCE IN YOUR LEGAL PRACTICE: PRACTICAL STRATEGIES TO MITIGATE CYBER ATTACKS

- Understanding the risks
- Typical attacks and identifying vulnerabilities
- The evidence: cyber-attacks against law firms that become claims
- How to create a cyber incident response plan

Presented by **Malcolm Heath**, Practice Risk Manager, Lawcover Insurance Pty Ltd

UPDATE ON GOVERNMENT MIGRATION STRATEGY REFORMS: WHAT'S CHANGING AND HOW YOUR CLIENTS CAN PREPARE

Presented by **Marial Lewis**, Principal Solicitor and Founder, Crossover Law Group; Accredited Specialist in Immigration Law, *Best Lawyers 2024*

TERMINATION, WFH, THE RIGHT TO DISCONNECT AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN WORKPLACE RELATIONS LAW

- Latest developments in termination of employment
- Working from Home: trends and issues
- The new right to disconnect: The experience so far
- Interesting developments and changes

Presented by **Michael Byrnes**, Partner, Swaab

INSOLVENCY IS NOT A DIRTY WORD: UNLESS...

- Understanding insolvency & restructuring processes and recent and pending reforms
- Making the most of insolvency restructuring: as a creditor, or a debtor
- Trends in insolvency and restructuring

Presented by **Stephen Mullette**, Principal, Matthews Folbigg Lawyers; Recommended Insolvency & Restructuring Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

ONLINE DISPUTES

Presented by **Trevor Withane**, Partner, Ironbridge Legal; Recommended Commercial Litigation and Dispute Resolution Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

MEDIATION: GOOD FAITH, MISREPRESENTATION & OTHER ISSUES

- The obligation of good faith: What it means?
- Consequences of bad behaviour
- What you can (and cannot) say in a mediation

Presented by **Campbell Bridge SC**, 7 Wentworth Selborne Chambers; *Best Lawyers 2024*, Alternative Dispute Resolution; Leading Mediators, *Doyle's Guide 2021*

UNDUE INFLUENCE, UNCONSCIONABILITY AND OTHER EQUITABLE REMEDIES

Presented by **John Clifton**, Barrister, Chalfont Chambers

CHASING GUARANTORS

- Guarantees and guarantees and indemnities
- Types of guarantees secured and unsecured
- When is a guarantee unenforceable?
- Individual Guarantors
- Corporate Guarantors
- Guarantees from trusts

Presented by **Steven Brown**, Chairman, Etienne Lawyers; Accredited Specialist in Business Law

UNFAIR CONTRACT TERMS IN THE WAKE OF THE RUBY PRINCESS DECISION

- Can we see any trends
- What lessons can we learn

Presented by **Robert O'Neill**, Barrister, Lachlan Macquarie Chambers



4 CPD UNITS

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- 1 CPD unit in Practice Management and Business Skills



TRUST MASTERCLASS: NAVIGATING THE CURRENT CONCERNS

TUESDAY, 4 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795
253N03

SESSION 1: VARIATIONS TO TRUST DEEDS, CROSS BORDER TRUSTS, TRUSTS AND FAMILY LAW, AND CASE UPDATE

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N03A

\$505

Chair: **Valentina Stojanovska Cal**, Managing Director, Black Book Management

✓ Professional Skills

VARIATION TO TRUST DEEDS, TRUST SPLITTING AND CLONING

- Variations (including vesting date) and rectifications of trust deeds
- Court applications to vary trust deeds
- Trust splitting and cloning
- Certain obligations of trustees of discretionary trusts

Presented by **Denis Barlin**, Barrister, 13 Wentworth Selborne Chambers

IMPLICATIONS OF AND ISSUES WITH CROSS BORDER TRUSTS

- The pitfalls of US revocable trusts for Australians moving back to Australia
- Estate planning traps for Australian families with US resident family members
- Australian discretionary trusts owning shares in US companies
- US tax classification of Australian unit trusts
- Australian superannuation funds with US citizen owners and beneficiaries
- Dual resident US / Australian trusts

Presented by **David Laanemaa**, Director, Bentleys

CAN YOU PROTECT A TRUST FROM FAMILY LAW PROCEEDINGS?

Presented by **Leona Bennett**, Managing Partner, Southern Waters Legal

TRUSTS RECENT CASE UPDATES

Presented by **Caitlin Angus**, Barrister, Two Wentworth Chambers

SESSION 2: TAX DISPUTES AND DISPUTES RELATED TO TRUST MANAGEMENT

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N03B

\$420

Chair: **Matthew McKee**, Partner, Brown Wright Stein Lawyers

TAX DISPUTES AND TRUSTS IN THE AAT AND NOW ART

Tax Disputes and Trusts in the AAT and Now ART

- Determining which decisions are reviewable by the Tribunal and which are appealable to the Court and making the irrevocable election
- Different jurisdictions and overlapping jurisdictions of the Tribunal and the Court
- Different procedures in the Tribunal and the Court
- Appealing a Tribunal decision to the Court
- Procedural fairness, apprehended bias & other problems arising in the Tribunal
- Comparison of costs in each forum, liability versus no-liability for costs orders

Presented by **Chris Bevan**, Barrister, Eight Wentworth Chambers

ISSUES OF CAPACITY OF TRUSTEES IN AN AGING POPULATION: A MEDICAL AND LEGAL PERSPECTIVE

Unpack from both the legal and medical perspective issues in assessing legal capacity of trustees and the rise of challenges brought by beneficiaries against aging trustees.

Presented by **Dr Jane Lonie**, Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist and **Guy Moloney**, Special Counsel, HWL Ebsworth

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IMPROVING THE DEFENSIBILITY OF TRUSTEE DECISION MAKING

- Aligning Trustee decision making with the purpose of the trust
- Obligations for trustees to inform themselves of beneficiary decision making
- Responding to offshore connections of beneficiaries
- What trustee decisions were struck down is Owies case and why
- Suggested guidelines for proactive competent trustee decision making

Presented by **Michael Perkins**, Special Counsel, Southern Waters

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- 2 CPD units in Professional Skills



NATIVE TITLE INTENSIVE

TUESDAY, 4 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

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Examine all the essential elements of Native Title practice in one streamlined comprehensive seminar, including your ethics point. Guided by the most experienced practitioners, you will perfect your understanding of the recent developments in case law for compensation claims, learn to navigate the complexities of how PBCs function, and gain perspective on the intersection of Native Title with Treaty and the Human Rights Charter.

Chair: **Matthew Pudovskis**, Barrister, Francis Burt Chambers

REGISTERED NATIVE TITLE BODIES CORPORATE: RULES, ROLES, DUTIES AND DILEMMAS

- The sources of rules governing how PBCs function
- Trustee and agent PBCs and common law holders
- Multiplicity of PBC directors' duties
- Disputes, rule-breaking and remedies: some case studies

Presented by **Susan Phillips**, Barrister, 13th Floor St James Hall; Leading Junior Counsel; *Doyle's Guide 2024*

PERMUTATIONS IN COMPENSATION CLAIMS AFTER GRIFFITHS

Consider forms of compensation claims after *Griffiths* using *Yindjibarndi v Fortescue Metals Group* as an example where the only compensable acts are the grants of mining tenements in an exclusive native title determination area.

- Explore the variety of heads of compensation
- The application of s 51A of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) to mining tenements

Presented by **Vance Hughston SC**, Windeyer Chambers Sydney; Market Leader Senior Counsel; *Doyle's Guide 2024*

✓ Ethics and Professional Responsibility

ETHICS IN NATIVE TITLE LEGAL PRACTICE

- Explore and discuss *Munkara v Santos NA Barossa Pty Ltd* (No 3) 2024 FCA 9
- Apply legal & ethical principles in relation to expert and lay witnesses in the Aboriginal land rights, native title or heritage context
- Potential costs orders against practitioners

Presented by **Tina Jowett SC**, Francis Burt Chambers; Recommended Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

INTERSECTION OF NATIVE TITLE WITH TREATY AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS CHARTER: DRAWING ON A VICTORIAN CONTEXT

- The Victorian Treaty Negotiation Framework
- Traditional Owner (local) Treaties and their intersection with Native Title
- Role of FNLRS (the Victorian Native Title Service Provider) in aligning native title and treaty
- The Victorian Human Rights Charter and how it interacts with Native Title and treaty

Presented by **Tony Kelly** (CEO) & **Rainer Mathews** (Co-Principal Legal Officer), First Nations Legal & Research Services

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PROPERTY LAW CONFERENCE: KEY REFORMS, FIRB, TAX AND TRANSACTIONS

WEDNESDAY, 5 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795
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NSW's property legal framework is transforming - will your expertise keep pace with the demands? With stage 2 strata reforms set to shake up how schemes are governed and managed, Revenue NSW adjusting processes on registrations and increasing FIRB obligations; acquire practical direction on keeping compliant, adjusting timelines and mitigating delays. Break down barriers to restrictive covenants and obtain top tips for harnessing AI in your property law practice as you square away your mandatory CPD units.

SESSION 1: NAVIGATING KEY PROPERTY LAW REFORMS & TRANSACTION CONCERNS

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N06A

\$505

Chair: **The Honourable Stephen Robb KC**, 7 Wentworth Chambers

KEY PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT LAW DEVELOPMENTS OVER THE LAST 12 MONTHS

- Changes to development applications: certification and servicing
- Compulsory acquisition update: key takeaways from the last year

Presented by **Nick Eastman SC**, Martin Place Chambers and **Lauren Sims**, Barrister, Martin Place Chambers

THE RIGHT TO SUPPORT FROM ADJOINING LAND

- The steps that should be taken to obtain interim relief to protect the property from anticipated or further damage due to loss of support
- The issues that will typically arise in relation to obtaining final relief

Presented by **Faheem Anwar**, Barrister, Greenway Chambers; Recommended Construction & Infrastructure Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

NAVIGATING PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS IN AUSTRALIA FOR FOREIGN INVESTORS AND FOREIGN OWNED ENTITIES

- Provide an overview of FIRB and quirky FIRB examples
- Registration of property transactions on the ATO foreign person register
- Summary of foreign resident capital gains tax withholding, surcharge purchaser duty and surcharge land tax on acquisitions by foreign persons
- Advise in relation to the provision or request for comfort letters where the entity signing a document is not an Australian entity

Presented by **Lindsay Sheather**, Special Counsel, Maddocks

NSW STAMP DUTY CHANGES AND ENDURING ISSUES

- Summary of key recent changes for property lawyers in NSW property taxes and Revenue NSW's practice
- Change of beneficial ownership reforms: 3 years in and what it means for property transactions
- Structuring effectively: options, nominations and leases

Presented by **Mark Peters**, Senior Associate, Herbert Smith Freehills; Member, Tax Institutes' NSW State Taxes Committee; Winner, Tax Institutes' Emerging Star of the Year Award

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR PROPERTY LAWYERS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N06B

\$420

Chair: **Robert Schneider**, Consultant, HWL Ebsworth Lawyers

✓ *Professional Skills*

MODIFYING OR EXTINGUISHING A COVENANT OR EASEMENT

Breakdown how to modify or extinguish covenants, easements, restrictions and understand your obligations as you benefit from:

- A practice and procedure walk through: applications, notice and orders
- Examples, cases and the practical takeaways

Presented by **Vikram Misra**, Barrister, Clarence Chambers

✓ *Practice Management & Business Skills*

LEVERAGING AI IN YOUR PROPERTY LAW PRACTICE

- Overview of AI applications in the legal sector
- Streamlining contract review processes
- Enhancing efficiency with automated documentation
- Risk assessment and management
 - › AI tools for identifying and mitigating legal risks
 - › Case examples of successful AI risk management
- Utilising AI for comprehensive legal research
- Practical steps for AI adoption in your property law firm
- IBA Report on AI in Legal Practice: key findings, recommendations and implications

Presented by **Anthony Autore**, Director and CEO, A.I Revolution 4 Technologies Pty Ltd

✓ *Ethics & Professional Responsibility*

GAIN A RUNDOWN ON RECENT PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE DECISIONS SIGNIFICANT TO PROPERTY LAW

Stay up to date with the latest professional discipline decisions that impact property law. Benefit from a detailed review of key rulings, ethical challenges and lessons from recent cases involving property lawyers. Learn how to navigate complex ethical dilemmas, uphold professional standards and avoid common pitfalls in your practice.

Presented by **Katie Binstock**, Partner, Thomson Geer; Leading Wills & Estates Litigation Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*



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20 Units of cpd each year

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IN-HOUSE COUNSEL CONFERENCE

WEDNESDAY, 5 MARCH 2025

9.00AM TO 5.15PM

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Don't miss the opportunity to gain invaluable updates and insights you need to effectively perform your role as In-House Counsel. Hear from a panel of experienced In-House Counsel on how they manage and balance the pressures of multiple aspects of the role that you face each day. Ensure that you are across carbon accounting and sustainability reporting as well as continuous disclosure obligations. Navigate essential employment law updates and some tips on legal professional privilege. Gain your core compulsory CPD units while covering topics tailored to In-House lawyers that will give you additional tools to put into practice.

SESSION 1: ESSENTIAL LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY UPDATES FOR IN-HOUSE COUNSEL

9.00AM TO 1.15PM

253N07A

\$505

Chair: **Steven Johns**, Partner & Technology and Digital Economy Co-Lead, Hall & Wilcox

CONTINUOUS DISCLOSURE OBLIGATIONS

There is increasing scrutiny on continuous disclosure obligations, particularly concerning key issues such as cyber incidents and climate-related matters.

- Recent developments in continuous disclosure obligations
- Tips for reviewing governance processes

Presented by **Andrew Lumsden**, Partner, Corrs Chambers Westgarth

✓ Professional Skills

THE IMPORTANT ROLE OF CARBON ACCOUNTING AND SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING ON YOUR SUSTAINABILITY JOURNEY

- Introduction to carbon accounting and sustainability reporting
- Steps to implement carbon accounting
- Overview of sustainability reporting frameworks
- Future trends and evolving regulations

Presented by **Aletta Boshoff**, National Lead Partner, IFRS & Corporate Reporting and ESG & Sustainability, BDO

EMPLOYMENT LAW UPDATE: WHAT IN-HOUSE COUNSEL NEED TO KNOW

- Workplace Delegate Rights (1 July 2024)
- Right to disconnect (26 August 2024)
- New definition of employment (26 August 2024)
- Independent contractor changes (26 August 2024)
- New definition of casual employee (26 August 2024)
- Same Job / Same Pay: Regulated Labour Hire Arrangement Orders (15 December 2023 and 1 November 2024)
- Gig worker regulation and road transport workers (26 August 2024)
- Unfair contracts jurisdiction in the FWC (26 August 2024)
- New wage theft offence (expected from 1 January 2025)
- Model enterprise agreement flexibility, consultation and dispute terms (26 February 2025)
- Managing psychological hazards in the workplace and respect@work obligations / positive duty on employers / compliance powers of the Australian Human Rights Commission

Presented by **Julianne Taverner**, Special Counsel, Danny King Legal

PRIVACY AND DATA LAWS: KEY ISSUES FOR IN-HOUSE COUNSEL

The privacy and data landscape are complex and are changing. In-house counsel will continue to have a key role by assisting their respective organisations to address existing obligations and to prepare for the pending changes. Examine:

- Key privacy issues to address
- Recent cases and decisions as well as pending changes under the Privacy Reforms Tranche 1
- Overlap of privacy laws with adjacent areas such as regulation of artificial intelligence and cybersecurity
- Role of in-house counsel in supporting or building a privacy program or function

Presented by **Olga Ganopolsky**, General Counsel – Privacy and Data, Macquarie Group Limited; Chairperson, Business Law Privacy Sub-committee, Law Council of Australia

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR IN-HOUSE COUNSEL

2.00PM TO 5.15PM

253N07B

\$420

Chair: **Maija Kerry**, Partner, Norton Rose Fullbright Australia

✓ Practice Management and Business Skills

MANAGING THE PRESSURE TO “JUST SAY YES”

- Practical tips to avoid risk by avoiding and managing the pressure to agree and “just say yes”
- Implications of taking the “Just Say Yes” route

Presented by **Paul Venus**, Partner, Piper Alderman; Recognised for Litigation, Best Lawyers

✓ Professional Skills

THE MULTI-FACETED ROLE OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

Hear insights from a panel of experienced In-House Counsel on managing and balancing the multiple aspects of the In-House Counsel role.

Panellists:

Linda Martin, General Counsel, REMONDIS Australia Pty Ltd
Olga Ganopolsky, General Counsel – Privacy and Data, Macquarie Group Limited; Chairperson, Business Law Privacy Sub-committee, Law Council of Australia

✓ Ethics & Professional Responsibility

LEGAL PROFESSIONAL PRIVILEGE + TIPS FOR IN-HOUSE COUNCIL

- Legal professional privilege: advice privilege and litigation privilege
- Dominant purpose and confidentiality
- Waiver of privilege
- Strategies for inhouse counsel

Presented by **Simone Rees**, Solicitor Director, Buchanan Rees Dispute Lawyers; Recognised for Litigation, Best Lawyers Australia

The day was excellent and I will be attending more Legalwise seminars

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FAMILY LAW: SUPERANNUATION, DIV7A, VALUATIONS AND TRUSTS

TUESDAY, 4 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

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Take a deep dive into the more technical accounting and tax issues of family law financial matters. Learn advanced strategies for superannuation splitting. Understand the potential Division 7A issues and tax implications for third-party loans. Gain insight into valuations including how to value a mix of assets, including businesses, employee share schemes, and cryptocurrency. Explore child maintenance trusts as a tax-effective child support strategy. Gain the deeper understanding that you need.

Chair: **Susan Pearson**, Partner, Pearson Emerson: Accredited Specialist in Family Law

✓ Professional Skills

ADVANCED STRATEGIES WHEN CONSIDERING SUPERANNUATION SPLITTING

Presented by **Tricia Peters**, Director and Certified Financial Planner, MELCA and PetersMcKeown

✓ Professional Skills

DIV 7A AND HOW UNDERSTANDING ITS COMPLEXITIES CAN EXPEDITE YOUR SETTLEMENTS

- Tips and traps of Div 7A
- Considerations for the asset pool
- Mum and Dad loans
- Case studies / examples

Presented by **Julie O'Reilly**, Partner, Business Advisory, William Buck Accountants

✓ Professional Skills

UNDERSTANDING VALUATIONS IN FAMILY LAW MATTERS: WHEN, WHY AND WHAT TO CONSIDER?

- Timing and basis for valuations: Obstacles to adopting a current or historical valuation? Which standard of value should you instruct the expert to adopt?
- Types of valuations: property pools may contain a mixture of assets and entities including businesses, employee share schemes, preference shares, earn out clauses and cryptocurrency
 - › Identifying what is in the pool, the information to request and whether an asset may require an Expert assessment?
- Potential pitfalls:
 - › What are the tax consequences hidden in the valuation of assets?
 - › Dealing with incomplete asset disclosures, or failure to account for debts and liabilities, which can skew the fair market value assessment?

Presented by **Jennifer Veitch**, CA, Partner, Pilot Partners Chartered Accountants

CHILD MAINTENANCE TRUSTS: THE TANTALISING, TAX EFFECTIVE CHILD SUPPORT STRATEGY

- The legislative framework for child maintenance trust income
- Creating the obligation
- Need for a single or progressive gift of assets into the trust
- Ensuring excepted trust income
- Structure of trust – outright beneficiary v capital reserved
- Dealing with income surplus to child support obligations
- Adjusting for the trusts in Wills

Presented by **Allan Swan**, Director, Estate Planning Equation; Adjunct Lecturer, College of Law Applied Law Master's Program



NAVIGATING MERITS REVIEW AND JUDICIAL REVIEW AND THEIR INTERSECTION

THURSDAY, 6 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$420
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Arm yourself and your practice with the insights and practical strategies needed to navigate merits review and judicial review. Take a deep dive into commencing proceedings and different stages of Review proceedings. Benefit from an in-depth discussion of recent judicial review and merits review cases and the practical implications of these decisions. Review the administrative decision-making continuum and limits on merits reviews.

Chair: **Jason Pizer SC**, List A Barristers; Leading Administrative & Public Law Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide*

COMMENCING PROCEEDINGS: JUDICIAL REVIEW OR MERITS REVIEW?

Do you advise clients on the appropriate forum to commence proceedings? Do you advise government entities responding to merits or judicial review applications?

- Examine some of the key differences between proceedings for judicial review and merits review, with a focus on:
 - › Standing to commence proceedings
 - › Stays or injunctions of the operation of the decision under review
 - › Final relief available

Presented by **James Stoller**, Barrister, Ah Ket Chambers

RECENT JUDICIAL REVIEW AND MERIT REVIEW DECISIONS AND THEIR IMPLICATIONS

- Examine recent judicial review and merit review case law
- Key developments and emerging trends
- Practical implications for your clients and organisations

Presented by **Jim Hartley**, Barrister, List G Chambers

THE ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION-MAKING CONTINUUM AND LIMITS ON MERITS REVIEW

Presented by **Natalie Blok**, Barrister, Ah Ket Chambers

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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CONFERENCE 2025

MONDAY, 7 MARCH 2025

9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795

253N08

Join experts at the Intellectual Property Conference 2025 – engaging with essential concerns, including the implications of AI on copyright, Indigenous Knowledge rights and notable recent cases. Examine critical current issues within patents, trademarks and IP remedies in the digital age. You will gain a unique opportunity to advance your specialist expertise or expand your general IP understanding and navigate the complexities of modern intellectual property.

SESSION 1: IP IN ADVERTISING, AI AND INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N08A

\$505

Chair: **Paula Adamson**, CEO, Wrays

IP ISSUES IN ADVERTISING

- Ownership of ad content, brand names and packaging artwork
- Advertising clearance: what to look for
- Other advertising red flags: greenwashing, online reviews, discounted pricing

Presented by **Justine Munsie**, Partner, Addisons; Preeminent Technology, Media & Telecommunications lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

AI AND COPYRIGHT

- AI training and copyright: tricks and traps
- IP in works generated by AI
- Protecting original works online in the age of AI

Presented by **Sophie Dawson**, Partner, Johnson Winter & Slattery; Leading Media & Telecommunications lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

PATENTS

- Computer-implemented inventions and patentable subject-matter: where are we now?
- Sufficiency and support: mission critical
- The latest on best method

Presented by **James Lawrence**, Partner, Addisons; *Best Lawyers in Australia*, Intellectual Property Law 2025; Leading Lawyer, Contentious Intellectual Property 2024 *Doyle's Guide*

INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE

- What is Indigenous Knowledge (IK)/Indigenous Cultural and Intellectual Property (ICIP)?
- To what extent is IK/ICIP currently protected under Australian law? What are the limitations?
- Proposed stand-alone legislation in Australia
- 2024 Treaty on Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources and Associated Traditional Knowledge

Presented by **Katrina Chambers**, Partner, Thomson Geer; Lawyer of the Year, Intellectual Property Law, *Best Lawyers 2021* and *Biotechnology, 2025*

SESSION 2: INFRINGEMENT AND REMEDIES OF IP RIGHTS, AND APPEALS OF THE TRADE MARK REGISTRAR

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N08B

\$420

Chair: **Peter Le Guay**, Partner, Thomson Geer Lawyers; Recommended Intellectual Property, Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024

CONFIDENTIALITY, IP REMEDIES AND OTHER HOT TOPICS

- Protecting confidential information: recent cases
- IP remedies: a look at the recent case Fortescue Ltd (hitherto known as *QFM1 v Element Zero Pty Ltd* hitherto known as RAB1 [2024] FCA 590) and some observations on Anton Piller orders
- Trademark use in the online context
- Overseas brand owners and spillover reputation: CrumbL and others

Presented by **Alison Jones**, Special Counsel, Corrs Chambers Westgarth

TRADE MARK INFRINGEMENT: CASE STUDY OF HEMMES TRADING PTY LIMITED V ESTABLISHMENT 203 PTY LTD

- Trade mark infringement
- Whether mark capable of distinguishing Applicant's services at priority date
- Defence of good faith use of own name
- Contraventions of ss 18 and 29 of the ACL

Presented by **Donna Short**, Partner, Addisons; Recognised in Chambers for Intellectual Property 2024

WHAT KATY PERRY DID NEXT

- Well known claim by Australian designer of trade mark infringement by US pop star
- Case started in 2019 after 10 years of no contact
- High profile trial in 2022
- 2023 judgment had some wins for the Australian and some wins for US star
- Next round on Full Court after appeal hearing in February 2024

Presented by **Odette Gourley**, Partner, Corrs Chambers Westgarth; Leading Lawyer Chambers Asia-Pacific- Intellectual Property

APPEALS FROM, AND JUDICIAL REVIEW OF, DECISIONS OF THE REGISTRAR OF TRADE MARKS

Presented by **Michael Hall**, Barrister, Nigel Bowen Chambers

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PERSONAL INJURY CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, 7 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795
253N09

To have an agile, informed and successful personal injury practice you need to keep up to date with key legal developments. And that is what this conference provides plus ensures that you are CPD compliant with ethics, practice management and professional skills. Obtain updates on public liability, labour hire negligence claims, motor accident and workers compensation practice in the PIC plus psychological injury claims, plus what you need to know about making a personal injury claim on behalf of a deceased estate.

SESSION 1: PERSONAL INJURY LAW UPDATE

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N09A

\$505

Chair: **Adam Abboud**, Special Counsel, McInnes Wilson

PERSONAL INJURY COMMISSION UPDATE 2025: WORKERS COMPENSATION AND MOTOR ACCIDENT CLAIMS

- Key Personal Injury Commission decisions
- Key Court decisions
- Issues facing practitioners in the Workers Compensation Division and the Motor Accidents Division

Presented by **Con Ktenas**, Consulting Lawyer and **Peter Hunt**, Principal, McCabes Lawyers; Preeminent Compulsory Third Party Insurance Lawyers (Defendant), *Doyle's Guide 2023*

NEGLIGENCE CLAIMS IN A LABOUR HIRE SITUATION

- The duty of the "host employer"; is it the same as the duty of the employer?
- The degree of fault of the employer *TNT v Christie* and beyond, and sec 151Z WCA
- Who is required to provide training and instruction?
- Control of the work site vs system of work
- Damages under CLA vs WID damages
- Issues of evidence

Presented by **Tim McKenzie**, Barrister

ANNUAL PUBLIC LIABILITY CASE LAW UPDATE

- Personal injury liability cases in the NSW Court of Appeal
- Personal injury liability cases in the High Court

Presented by **Dr Tim Channon**, Consultant, Barry Nilsson Lawyers

INTENTIONAL TORTS: WHERE WE ARE HEADING

- Institutional abuse case studies
- Development of intentional torts in Australia
- Development and future of vicarious liability, as well as their expansion into commercial and economic torts

Presented by **David Baran**, Barrister, Jack Shand Chambers

THE INTERSECTION OF EQUITY AND COMMON LAW: MAKING A CLAIM FOR PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES ON BEHALF OF A DECEASED ESTATE

As a personal injury lawyer, you may find yourself representing an estate bringing proceedings for personal injury damages to a deceased's estate. Examine:

- The risk of adverse costs orders, protraction of litigation, delayed administration of the estate and related uncertainty in respect of outcomes can open the executor to criticism, personal costs orders and/or removal as executor for want of due administration of the estate.
- Judicial advice as a key tool in protecting an executor or trustee in the pursuit or defence of litigation of a deceased's estate

Presented by **Matthew Jones**, Barrister, Jack Shand Chambers

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR PERSONAL INJURY LAWYERS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N09B

\$420

Chair: **Damien Toohey**, Barrister and Mediator, Second Floor, Selborne

✓ *Professional Skills*

PREPARING AND RUNNING A WORK INJURY DAMAGES CLAIM

- Steps to be taken
- Pitfalls
- Case studies

Presented by **Matthew Eirth**, Barrister, Jack Shand Chambers

✓ *Ethics and Professional Responsibility*

A SNAPSHOT OF RECENT DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS: THE IMPORTANCE OF ETHICAL BEHAVIOUR ON OUR PROFESSION

Together with David Miller, (Chair of the Law Society of NSW Ethics Committee) examine recent disciplinary decisions and extract lessons for practitioners relating to:

- Competence
- Conflicts
- Client communication
- Courtesy to our fellow practitioners

Presented by **David Miller**, Partner, Colin Biggers & Paisley; Preeminent Leading Dust Diseases Lawyers (Defendant), *Doyle's Guide 2023*

✓ *Practice Management and Business Management*

MANAGING TOUGH CONVERSATIONS AND DIFFICULT PEOPLE "BY THE NUMBERS"

- 3 questions to answer if you want your tough conversation to get the result you're really after
- 3 tough conversations we all need to have and have to get right
- 52 Types of Difficult People (and counting) but they all have just 3 things in common
- 3 personal conversation scripts including the FEWER Script to make your life easier

Presented by **Mark McPherson**, Consultant, Workplace Harmony, and former teacher

“Everything was fascinating!”

“These case law updates always good”

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7 CPD UNITS

- 4 CPD units in Substantive Law
- 1 CPD unit in Ethics & Professional Responsibility
- 1 CPD unit in Practice Management & Business Skills
- 1 CPD unit in Professional Skills

**NCAT PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE****ENVIRONMENTAL ASSET
TOKENISATION:
THE LEGAL IMPLICATIONS****FRIDAY, 7 MARCH 2025**
9.00AM TO 1.15PM**\$505**
WEB253N36

Confront NCAT's complexities head-on with this focused program, crafted to address common concerns and pitfalls. Wondering if NCAT is the right forum? Gain clarity on when to opt in, tackle jurisdictional challenges, and learn effective techniques for handling and challenging evidence. Sharpen your advocacy skills to present a strong case with a competitive edge. And if an appeal is necessary, discover how to build a compelling argument. This seminar equips you with the strategies and insights needed to navigate NCAT's obstacles and achieve the best possible outcomes.

Chair: **Mark Robinson SC**, Barrister, Macquarie Street Chambers**WHEN TO OPT INTO NCAT: JURISDICTIONAL ISSUES AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

- Instigating and responding to proceedings in NCAT
- Writing submissions for NCAT: practical tips

Presented by **Jason Polese**, Barrister, Clarence Chambers**PRACTICE AND EVIDENCE IN NCAT, A CAUTIONARY TALE**Presented by **Timothy Bland**, Barrister, Hunter Street Chambers✓ *Professional Skills***EFFECTIVE ADVOCACY: PRACTICAL ADVOCACY TIPS FOR NCAT**

- Tips for effective preparation, presenting cases confidently, and managing client expectations
- Ethical obligations to consider
- Appearing against self-represented parties, obligations and best practice
- Oral addresses: clarity, brevity and focus on key points and the use of plain language and adjusting for tribunal members' perspectives
- Handling evidence and questioning effectively
- Observing decorum and respect for tribunal procedures
- Common mistakes in NCAT advocacy and strategies to avoid them

Presented by **Paul Folino-Gallo**, Barrister, Third Floor Wentworth Chambers✓ *Professional Skills***GROUNDINGS OF APPEAL**

- Appeal process
- Leave to appeal
- Errors of law and of fact

Presented by **Mark Isaac**, Barrister, Tenth Floor St James Hall Chambers**FRIDAY, 28 MARCH 2025**
9.00AM TO 12.15PM**\$420**
WEB253N10

Join us for a frontier crossing conference on the legal implications of environmental asset tokenisation. You will gain critical insights on the current regulatory framework for tokenising environmental assets, the role of tokenomics in defining these assets and examine the complexities of digitising carbon credits and their market dynamics. This conference presents you with a unique opportunity to enhance your expertise in a rapidly evolving legal landscape, engage with industry leaders and strengthen your practice.

Chair: **John Bassilios**, Partner, Fintech & Blockchain Lead, Hall & Wilcox; The *Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024*, Next Generation Partner, Fintech and Financial Services Regulatory**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR TOKENISING ENVIRONMENTAL ASSETS**

- Current state of digital assets regulation
- Legal considerations in tokenising financial assets linked to the environment
- Legal considerations for tokenising real world environmental assets
- Government policy proposal on asset tokenisation
- Potential use cases

Presented by **Steven Pettigrove**, Partner, Piper Alderman; *Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024: Australia – Rising Star* for Fintech and Financial Services Regulatory✓ *Professional Skills***TOKENISATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSETS: WHY TOKENECONOMICS COMES BEFORE TOKENISATION**

- What is Tokenomics?
- Why Tokenomics matters when defining real-world environmental assets tokens
- Not all tokens are the same nor are all environmental assets are the same
- Elements to consider when defining tokens: structure, functionality, governance and compliance
- Not all environmental assets are financial products: the case of tokenising water rights and water quality credits

Presented by **Katrina Donaghy**, Country Chief Executive Officer, WATER LEDGER AUSTRALIA✓ *Professional Skills***THE DIGITISATION OF CARBON CREDITS**

- What are carbon credits?
- Tokenising carbon credits
- Why tokenise carbon credits?
- Creating a market for carbon credits
- Listing tokenised carbon credits on an exchange

Presented by **Andrew Mayo**, Founder and CEO, MyCarbon**THE LEGAL ISSUES IN DIGITISING CARBON CREDITS**

- Carbon credit regulations
- Corporations Law regulations dealing with a financial product
- Implications of AFSL involvement
- Creating a legal market for tokenised carbon credits

Presented by **Dr Adrian McCullagh**, Principal, ODMOB Lawyers; Member, Australian Law Council Digital Commerce committee, Special Advisor to the Director General of the Blockchain Climate Institute based in the UK**ATTEND AND EARN****4 CPD UNITS**

- 2 CPD units in Substantive Law
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- 1.5 CPD units in Substantive Law
- 1.5 CPD units in Professional Skills



CONSTRUCTION LAW SYMPOSIUM 2025

TUESDAY, 11 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795
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With the governments ambitious agenda for the future of construction law in NSW, get ready to work over vital updates effecting the sector. Navigate these complex new legal landscapes and understand the practical implications of The New Building Bill and major shifts in the DBP and RAB Act's. Expand your skillset in addressing contemporary security of payment issues and acquire the knowledge necessary to anticipate future changes. Feel firm in your ability to adapt your practice to meet evolving legal demands.

SESSION 1: FROM BILL TO BUILDING: NAVIGATING THE NEW BUILDING BILL, COMPLIANCE POWERS & SOPA

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N11A

\$505

Chair: **Frank Hicks SC**, Greenway Chambers; Leading Construction & Infrastructure Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

NEW BUILDING BILL UPDATE

The NSW Government is now focusing on residential and commercial construction projects with the proposed introduction of the Building Bill 2022 (NSW) (Building Bill).

- Discover how the Bill is designed to create end-to-end accountability by consolidating and regulating various construction elements
- Explore the transition from the *Home Building Act 1989*, focusing on key differences and their implications for current and future projects

Presented by **Tom Davie**, Barrister, Queen Square Chambers

THE DESIGN AND BUILDING PRACTITIONERS AND RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT BUILDINGS (COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT POWERS) ACTS – THERE'S A NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW TO SHOOT OR STAY OUT OF THE FIRING LINE

- Examine the purpose of the new defect liability regimes under the *Design and Building Practitioners Act 2020* (DBPA) and the *Residential Apartment Buildings (Compliance and Enforcement Powers) Act 2020* (RAB Act)
- When and how to prosecute a claim under these new defect liability regimes: tips and pitfalls
- Protecting your client's business and avoiding liability under the *DBPA* and *RAB Act*
- Recent decisions on the statutory duty of care under the *DBPA*
- Recent decisions on the defect rectification regime under the *RAB Act*
- Where to from here? Looking to future decisions

Presented by **Garth Campbell**, Barrister, Tenth Floor St James Hall Chambers

SECURITY OF PAYMENT (SOPA) UPDATE

Receive a breakdown of leading recent security of payment cases and contemporary security of payment issues.

- *Enermech Pty Ltd v Acciona Infrastructure Projects Australia Pty Ltd* [2024] NSWCA 162, *Ceerose Pty Ltd v A-Civil Aust Pty Ltd* [2023] NSWCA 215 and cases applying it, and a selection of other leading cases

Presented by **David Hume**, Barrister, Sixth Floor Selborne Wentworth Chambers; Recommended Construction & Infrastructure Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

DEVELOPMENTS IN CONSTRUCTION CLAIMS AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- Current trends and market developments
- Recent legislative developments
- Notable cases
- International perspectives

Presented by **Luke Carbon**, Partner, Ashurst; Construction Law Rising Star, *Doyle's Guide 2023* and **Ben Judge**, Senior Associate, Ashurst

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION LAWYERS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N11B

\$420

Chair: **Carlos Mobellan**, Barrister and Mediator, Third Floor St James Hall Chambers

✓ *Practice Management & Business Skills*

MASTERING CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIPS: A PRACTICE MANAGEMENT GUIDE FOR CONSTRUCTION LAWYERS

- Construction as a Relationship Business: explore key players in construction projects, their roles, and how building strong relationships is essential for success
- Learn how to be an effective Superintendent as an addition to your practice to ensure smooth project execution and prevent issues before they arise
- When Projects Go Off Track: discover practical strategies to resolve disputes and work with contractors to get troubled projects back on track, minimising legal and financial risks

Presented by **Matthew Taylor**, Partner, Gadens

✓ *Professional Skills*

DRAFTING AND NEGOTIATING KEY CLAUSES IN YOUR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

- Learn how to identify and articulate your client's role and objectives in the construction process to inform contract negotiations
- Pre-construction risk management: develop skills in drafting key risk clauses, including payment terms, warranties, indemnities, defects liability, and set-off provisions to mitigate potential disputes
- Effective contract administration: gain insights into timely contract administration practices, including accessing security and managing variations related to increases in labour and materials during the construction phase
- Navigating financial crises: understand strategies for ensuring client payments, addressing project takeovers (novation), and handling default and termination scenarios
- Relevant legislation: proportionate liability; security of payments; personal property security interests; work health & safety requirements

Presented by **Anthony Herron**, Special Counsel, Chamberlains

✓ *Ethics & Professional Responsibility*

PROFESSIONAL ETHICS AND RESPONSIBILITY IN THE ENGAGEMENT OF THE COURT'S COERCIVE POWERS

- Obtaining ex parte injunctions and the duty of candour
- Ethical obligations when enforcing judgments by garnishee
- Ethical obligations when using the online court
- Practical and ethical aspects of prosecution of contempt

Presented by **David Hughes**, Barrister, 7 Wentworth Selborne Chambers; Recommended Construction & Infrastructure Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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ADVERSE ACTION, DISCRIMINATION AND BULLYING CLAIMS

TUESDAY, 11 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 12.15PM

\$420
WEB253N12

Keep up to date on recent significant case law and legislative reform and the impact of these on adverse action, workplace discrimination and bullying claims. Be guided through the best processes to avoid bullying claims and then to use the procedures in the Fair Work Commission to solve problems.

ADVERSE ACTION UPDATE INCLUDING THE NEW WORKPLACE RIGHTS

- What is adverse action?
- What are workplace rights and the right to disconnect?
- The 'because' test
- The reverse onus of proof
- The role of the Fair Work Commission
- Recent cases

Presented by **Sarah Ralph**, Oceania Law Leader, Ernst & Young

DISCRIMINATION & GENERAL PROTECTIONS

- Claims covered under claims under Part 3-1 of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cth)
- Recent developments
- Evidentiary hurdles
- Damages & penalties

Presented by **Penny Thew**, Barrister, State Chambers

BULLYING ALLEGATIONS & HOW TO AVOID THEM

- Procedures at the Fair Work Commission and how to use them to solve problems
- Assessment of claims to determine what is in fact bullying, and what is in fact discontent unjustly described as such
- Handling supervision so that it complies with the definition of "reasonable management action"
- Assessing risk of complaint or dispute from employees who object to being named in bullying complaints: avoiding "the reaction of the target eclipsing the complaint of the complainant"
- Structures in an organisation to make bullying complaints the last, not the first step for employees speaking up

Presented by **Chris McArdle**, Principal, McArdle Legal



NAVIGATING CROSS BORDER CONTRACTS

TUESDAY, 11 MARCH 2025
1.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$505
WEB253N13

This 4-hour session is packed with everything you need to know on cross-border contracts, covering topics from establishing jurisdiction and governing law in international agreements to managing supply chain disputes and identifying early signs of insolvency. You'll also explore arbitration mechanisms, consider landmark cases, the application of the Vienna Convention (CISG) for international sales, and crucial trans-border IP and privacy issues in contract drafting. Additionally, you will focus on the new Privacy Act and the required clauses.

Chair: **Julia Dreosti**, Partner, Clifford Chance

CROSS-JURISDICTIONAL CONTRACTS: JURISDICTION, GOVERNING LAW AND ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS

- Establishing jurisdiction: over the parties & over the subject matter
- Restraining proceedings: interstate & international cases
- Governing law
- Proper law of the contract: subjective & objective proper law
- Enforcement of judgments
- Registration of judgments: interstate & international

Presented by **Jennifer K Mee**, Barrister, 6 St James Hall Chambers; *Best Lawyers 2024*, Energy Law

MANAGING SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES IN CROSS BORDER CONTRACTS

- Current industry and contracting climate
- Early warning signs and how to prepare for a supply chain dispute before it occurs
- Role of arbitration in resolving supply chain disputes
- Mitigating insolvency risks and the enforceability of arbitration

Presented by **Daniel Allman**, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright Australia

OUR HOME IS GIRT BY . . . CISG? THE VIENNA CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL SALE OF GOODS FOR AUSTRALIAN LAWYERS

- What is the CISG?
- When (and to whom) does it apply?
- Major points of difference between CISG and Australian contract/sale of goods law
- Adopting, excluding, or varying the terms of the CISG

Presented by **Angus Macinnis**, Director of Dispute Resolution, StevensVuaran Lawyers

TRANS-BORDER IP, PRIVACY & DATA ISSUES

- The fundamentals of IP due diligence
- Customer lists, trade secrets and personal information: IP, confidentiality and privacy considerations
- Trans-border IP and privacy issues
- Drafting considerations for IP

Presented by **Nicole Murdoch**, Principal, EAGLEGATE Lawyers, *Recommended Non-Contentious Intellectual Property Lawyer, Doyle's Guide 2023*



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STATUTORY INTERPRETATION INTENSIVE

WEDNESDAY, 12 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

\$505
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Gain essential insights from the Office of the Chief Parliamentary Counsel on how issues of statutory interpretation are considered by legislative drafters when drafting legislation, understand the contemporary approach to statutory interpretation and some practical applications and examples. Understand the implications of recent cases in statutory interpretation and unpack the use of defined terms in statutory interpretation.

Chair: **Fiona McKenzie**, Barrister, Foley's List

✓ Professional Skills

INSIGHTS FROM A LEGISLATIVE DRAFTER

Focus on how issues of statutory interpretation are considered by legislative drafters when formulating legislation.

- Consistency of language within the document and across the statute book
- Definitions and other interpretive tools: notes, examples, structure, headings, extrinsic materials
- Interpretation Acts and legal assumptions
- Issues relating to subordinate legislation
- How an Act interacts with common law: clear words of abrogation

Presented by **Jayne Atkins**, Chief Parliamentary Counsel, Office of the Chief Parliamentary Counsel

✓ Professional Skills

STATUTORY INTERPRETATION TOOLKIT

- Australian contemporary approach to statutory interpretation
- How to use interpretation acts in statutory interpretation exercises
- Practical application and examples

Presented by **Nidal Sayegh**, Lead Counsel, Victorian Government Solicitor's Office and **Andrea Mapp**, Lead Counsel, Victorian Government Solicitor's Office

RECENT CASE UPDATE IN STATUTORY INTERPRETATION

Gain essential insights from the latest and most relevant cases you should be aware of and their impacts on statutory interpretation.

Presented by **Georgina Rhodes**, Barrister, Ah Ket Chambers

✓ Professional Skills

THE USE OF DEFINED TERMS IN STATUTORY INTERPRETATION

Presented by **Alanna Mitchell**, Partner, Maddocks



ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION MAKING FORUM

WEDNESDAY, 12 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$420
253V11

Examine the obligation to ensure procedural fairness as the foundation of all good decision making and the consequences where a court concludes that there has been a breach of procedural fairness by a decision maker. Take a deep dive into jurisdictional facts, the importance of jurisdictional facts for administrative decision makers, the impacts of a failure to recognise the existence of a jurisdictional fact and a closer look at objective and subjective jurisdictional facts. Be updated on recent cases in administrative decision making and the impacts that these decisions may have on future decision making.

Chair: **Bronwyn Weir**, Director, Weir Legal & Consulting

THE OBLIGATION TO AFFORD PROCEDURAL FAIRNESS AND CONSEQUENCES WHEN IT IS BREACHED

Presented by **Kylie Walsh**, Principal, Russell Kennedy

JURISDICTIONAL FACTS: OBJECTIVE AND SUBJECTIVE

Presented by **Lisa de Ferrari SC**, Barrister, List A Chambers

RECENT CASE UPDATE IN ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION MAKING

Hear a summary of the latest and most relevant decisions in administrative decision making and how adverse findings may affect these decisions.

Presented by **Georgina Rhodes**, Barrister, Ah Ket Chambers

LITIGATION PROOFING ADMINISTRATIVE REASONS FOR DECISIONS

This presentation will examine the law on reasons for decision and offer some practical guidance to minimise legal risk in the preparation of reasons.

Presented by **Kylie Evans KC**, Barrister, Ah Ket Chambers



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BUSINESS SALES SUMMIT: RISKS AND STRATEGIES

WEDNESDAY, 12 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795
WEB253N14

Identify sticking points in negotiations and key factors to monitor while gaining strategies to mitigate and avoid risk and ensure compliance in business sales. Cover-off everything from due diligence and valuation issues, CGT and IP liabilities, to the new risks in business sale transactions including cyber-security and ESG compliance. Navigate the practical strategies that assist the legal process including employee share schemes, the deal-breaking points plus more.

SESSION 1: RISK MITIGATION AND AVOIDANCE IN BUSINESS SALES, AND ENSURING COMPLIANCE

9.00AM TO 1.15PM WEB253N14A **\$505**

Chair: **Mayank Gupta**, Partner, Cornwalls

✓ Professional Skills

UNDERSTANDING WHERE VALUATIONS CAN GO WRONG

- Typical valuation approaches and methods and key elements and inputs
- Industry and company factors
- Biases

Presented by **Fiona Hansen**, Senior Managing Director and Head of Valuations Advisory, FTI Consulting

PRIVACY, DATA AND CYBERSECURITY ISSUES IN BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS: CONSIDERATIONS FOR BUYING AND SELLING A BUSINESS

- The general role of governance in managing a myriad of cybersecurity obligations
- Cybersecurity in due diligence and business sale agreements
- Post-Exchange and Pre-Completion: managing data transfers and system security
- Post-Completion- privacy, cybersecurity, and compliance clean-up including
- The state of play following recent cybersecurity legislative reform
- The role of agreements in managing cybersecurity risk
- Director and officer duties

Presented by **Dalvin Chien**, Partner, Mills Oakley

ESG DUE DILIGENCE CHECKLIST: TOP ESG REQUIREMENTS FOR BUSINESS AND SALES TRANSACTIONS

Learn how to integrate ESG considerations into your client's business transactions and the significance this holds for your deals.

Presented by **Alison Choy Flannigan**, Partner, Hall & Wilcox; Honorary Fellowship with Australasian College of Health Service Management, *Best Lawyers* 2008-2024, Biotechnology Law, Health Law; Preeminent Health Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide* 2024

ADDRESSING IP ISSUES IN BUSINESS SALES

- The importance for sellers/buyers
- Due diligence vs warranties: identification of IP
- Confirmation of ownership/rights to use
- Vulnerabilities
- Assumption of liabilities

Presented by **Judith Miller**, Principal & National Practice Group Leader, Commercial, Wrays; *Best Lawyers* 2023, Commercial Law & Franchise Law; Recommended Non-Contentious Intellectual Property Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide* 2023

CGT ROLLOVER: PRACTICAL INSIGHTS AND COMPLIANCE INSIGHTS

- Technical compliance: eligibility and procedural requirements for roll-overs, essential steps for successful application and tax efficient restructuring
- Back-to-Back roll-overs: multiple roll-overs impact the CGT discount and sharing strategies to manage these effects for better tax outcomes
- The "Nothing Else" condition: no additional benefits are to be derived from the roll-over and tips on how to comply in various transaction scenarios

Presented by **Neil Brydges**, Principal Lawyer, Sladen Legal

SESSION 2: PRACTICAL STRATEGIES THAT ASSIST THE LEGAL PROCESS IN BUSINESS SALES

2.00PM TO 5.15PM WEB253N14B **\$420**

Chair: **Amanda Comelli**, Partner, Brown Wright Stein; Member, Specialist Accreditation Advisory Committee for Business Law

EMPLOYEE SHARE SCHEMES: DESIGNING, IMPLEMENTING AND INTEGRATING INTO BUSINESS SALES

- Gain insights into designing and implementing effective employee share schemes that align employee interests with business objectives
- Regulatory compliance aspects that govern these schemes
- Best practices for valuing shares and distributing equity fairly among employees
- Strategies for integrating employee share schemes into sales and restructuring

Presented by **Amanda Comelli**, Partner, Brown Wright Stein

CHASING GUARANTORS: A STRATEGIC APPROACH WHEN BUYING AND SELLING A BUSINESS

- Legal framework surrounding guarantors and the enforcement of guarantees
- Mitigate risks associated with guarantees during the negotiation phase
- Documentation in these pursuits

Presented by **James Morgan**, Special Counsel, Mahoneys; Accredited Specialist in Commercial Litigation

KEY DEAL BREAKERS AND STRATEGIES FOR PROTECTING SELLERS AND BUYERS INTERESTS: WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR AND FACTORS TO MONITOR

- Term sheets and heads of agreement: initial agreements shape future liabilities
- Due diligence phase: the importance of transparent disclosures
- Warranties and indemnities: key contractual provisions that protect
- Financial performance benchmarks, post-sale payouts and risks of underperformance
- Post-sale liabilities: earn-outs, retention amounts, clawbacks, contingent payments and vendor finance
- Common post-sale conflicts and the strategies

Presented by **Tony Arena**, Managing Director, BCI Business Brokers

BUSINESS TRANSACTIONS AND INSOLVENCY

- Directors' duties
- Duty to prevent insolvent trading
- Insolvent trading
- Voidable transactions
- Recent cases

Presented by **Temple Saville**, Barrister, Nationally Accredited Mediator, Svenson Barristers

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- 6 CPD units in Substantive Law
- 1 CPD unit in Professional Skills



CONVEYANCING SYMPOSIUM

WEDNESDAY, 12 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

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253N16

Tackle a minefield of conveyancing challenges, from deciphering key contract clauses that can expose clients to unfair terms, to understanding the nuances between defects in title and quality that complicate disclosure obligations. Develop a stockpile of tactics to manage vendor and purchaser exposure effectively. Obtain a keen eye for identifying common building issues that could arise during the conveyancing process and avoid penalties within the evolving AML landscape.

SESSION 1: FROM CONTRACTS TO TITLE: OVERCOMING CHALLENGES IN CONVEYANCING

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N16A

\$505

Chair: **Judy Bliss**, Principal Licensed Conveyancer, Bliss Conveyancing

THE CONTRACT OF SALE: KEY CLAUSES, COMMON PITFALLS & UNFAIR CONTRACT TERMS

- Understanding the essential clauses in a Contract of Sale
- Identifying and avoiding common pitfalls in contracts
- How unfair contract terms are regulated under Australian law
- Practical insights to draft stronger, fairer contracts for clients
- Case law examples highlighting key issues

Presented by **Sam Saad**, Partner, Long Saad Woodbridge Lawyers

DELIVERING DEEDS IN ESCROW IN CONVEYANCING TRANSACTIONS: CAN THE ESCROW TRUMP THE TERMS OF THE DEED?

- Can an email or casual conversation under cover of which a Deed is sent, lead to an escrow? Can that escrow trump the otherwise applicable rules as to exchange of counterparts?
- Can the escrow trump a clause in the Deed saying exchange is affected when the signed documents are provided to all parties?
- Delivery of a Deed without handing it over, or handing over without delivery?
- What is the effect of delivery in escrow?
- How does this all differ to the operation of simple contracts?

Presented by **Sydney Jacobs**, Barrister, 13 Wentworth Chambers

DEFECTS IN TITLE FOR VENDORS & PURCHASERS OF LAND IN NSW

- Defect in title compared to a defect in quality
- Vendor's usual disclosure obligations under general law and legislation
- Further investigations by a vendor/ purchaser that are appropriate
- Requisitions on title: what, how and when to make them and how to respond
- What claims over defects in title more commonly arise
- Forms of relief is available and what claims are more likely to obtain relief

Presented by **Brendan Maier**, Partner, Colin Biggers & Paisley Lawyers

A TRANSACTION THAT 'HAS IT ALL': CASE STUDY

Sometimes a transaction just "has it all"! Examine a recent case run by Leanne in which several conveyancing complications arose, including:

- When is it appropriate to issue a notice pursuant to 66M *Conveyancing Act* and to claim an abatement in the purchase price?
- Rescinding a contract pursuant to 66L *Conveyancing Act* and the consequences
- When is it appropriate to apply for an order for specific performance?
- How do the implied terms under conveyancing legislation and regulations apply in practice and what are the consequences?
- When is a vendor bound by the representations made by its agent?
- Remedies available under the Australian Consumer Law

Presented by **Leanne Walker**, Partner, Colin Biggers & Paisley Lawyers; Committee Member, UDIA NSW Land Development Committee

RECENT CASES CONCERNING OFF-THE-PLAN TRANSACTIONS

Off-the-plan transactions have inherent difficulties and risks for both purchasers and vendors.

- Explore those difficulties and risks through recent cases and what may be done to address or ameliorate them
- Ways in which purchasers and vendors may extricate or exit off-the-plan contracts

Presented by **Hamilton Zhao**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR CONVEYANCERS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N16B

\$420

Chair: **Rani Gandha**, Partner, Turnbull Hill Lawyers

✓ *Ethics & Professional Responsibility*

THE ETHICS OF HANDLING CLIENT FUNDS AND TRUST ACCOUNTS IN CONVEYANCING TRANSACTIONS

- Ethical responsibilities of conveyancers when handling client funds and trust accounts
- Legislation and regulation governing management of client funds and trust accounts
- Examine effective strategies for maintaining accurate records, tracking transactions, and ensuring proper fund management
- Mistakes and ethical breaches in handling client funds that can lead to legal repercussions
- Legal and professional consequences of mishandling client funds and trust accounts

Presented by **Kevin O'Brien**, Director, Landmark Legal

✓ *Professional skills*

THE CONVEYANCER'S GUIDE TO BUILDING ISSUES AND BUILDING CONTRACTS

- What to look for when reviewing a building contract
- Common building issues that can arise during conveyancing and their implications
- Key risks associated with freestanding, semi-detached and strata buildings
- Gain a comprehensive understanding of building contracts, including standard clauses and common pitfalls
- Learn strategies for mitigating risks associated with building issues and contracts
- Skills to effectively communicate complex building-related information to clients

Presented by **David Jury**, Partner, HWL Ebsworth Lawyers; Leading Construction & Infrastructure Litigation Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

✓ *Practice Management & Business Skills*

NEW ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONVEYANCERS: WHY, WHAT, HOW AND WHEN

- Proposed application of the AML/CTF regime to property matters
- What are the compliance obligations your business is likely to face
- How to manage the AML/CTF requirements for conveyancers

Presented by **Neil Jeans**, Partner - Risk Consulting, Grant Thornton

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ENTERTAINMENT LAW CONFERENCE 2025

WEDNESDAY, 12 MARCH 2025

9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795

253N18

Join your colleagues at the Entertainment Law Conference 2025, an essential event for legal practitioners and entertainment industry professionals seeking to deepen their understanding of the dynamic intersection of law and media. Engage in critical discussion on production contracting, generative AI's role in filmmaking, and the latest updates on employment and contractor compliance in the entertainment industry. Explore pressing topics such as privacy reform, digital economy regulations and the intricacies of the Producer Tax Offset.

SESSION 1: WHAT'S NEW IN ENTERTAINMENT REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N18A

\$505

Chair: **Sonia Borella**, Director, Borella Buchanan Pty Ltd

PRIVACY ACT REFORM AND THE ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY

- Personnel and content
- Reform timeline and what shape that will take
- How AI will influence privacy

Presented by **Rebecca Dunn**, Partner, Gilbert + Tobin; *Best Lawyers 2025*, Defamation and Media Law, Intellectual Property Law and Privacy and Data Security Law

REGULATION OF THE DIGITAL ECONOMY 2025: A MEDIA SECTOR PERSPECTIVE

- Artificial intelligence
- Competition and consumer protection
- Cybersecurity
- Online safety and misinformation

Presented by **Dr Martyn Taylor**, Partner, Australian Law Firm Partner of the Year - Competition, Trade & Regulation, *Best Lawyers 2023* and **Dietrich Marquardt**, Special Counsel, Norton Rose Fulbright

WHAT'S HOT RIGHT NOW IN MEDIA LAW

- Anti-siphoning
- Smart-device prominence
- Market-fragmentation and implications for piracy
- Recent changes in advertising requirements (including sector-specific restrictions, such as in relation to gambling)
- Overseas trends and what might be next in Australia

Presented by **Rebecca Lindhout**, Consultant, HWL Ebsworth Lawyers and **Rohin Sharma**, Senior Legal Counsel, FOX SPORTS Australia

INDUSTRIAL NEGOTIATIONS AND UPDATES ON EMPLOYMENT AND CONTRACTOR COMPLIANCE

- Updates and review on contract compliance
- New contractor provisions
- Unfair contract jurisdiction, casual conversion and the right to disconnect

Presented by **Nicola McMahon**, Special Counsel, McCullough Robertson

SESSION 2: OPTIONS, PRODUCTION TRENDS AND PRODUCER OFFSETS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N18B

\$420

Chair: **Janine Lapworth**, Senior Legal Consultant

THE NEW, CLEAR OPTION: DRAFTING, EXERCISING AND REMEDIES FOR BREACH OF OPTIONS

- Drafting enforceable options for new series and talent
- Exercising an option
- Remedies for breach of option
- Other pre-emptive rights production lawyers might consider

Presented by **Eli Fisher**, Senior Legal Counsel, Paramount

CURRENT STATE OF INTERNATIONAL PRODUCTION TRENDS IN AUSTRALIA

- International filmmaker attitudes to Australia
- Trends in production and post-production
- Client sentiment and process from interest to execution

Presented by **Mark Bamford**, Simpsons; Kate Marks, CEO, Ausfilm; **Patrick May**, Director of Policy and Research, Ausfilm

KNOCK, KNOCK, KNOCKING ON HEAVEN'S DOOR – PRODUCER OFFSET, DIVISION 376, AND AAT APPEALS

PART 1

- Producer offset overview
- Contracting to avoid common Offset pitfalls
- QAPE – from Screen Australia's unique perspective

Presented by **Janine Pearce**, Principal, JP Media Law

PART 2

- The case of Fragmentary: applicant eligibility: carrying out of "all the activities" that were necessary for the making of the film: section 376-65 *Tax Act*
- Nature of AAT appeal
- Role of expert evidence

Presented by **Therese Catanzariti**, Barrister, 13 Wentworth Chambers



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SUCCESSION LAW SYMPOSIUM

THURSDAY, 13 MARCH 2025

9.00AM TO 5.15PM

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Attend this premier event to gain the information and updates essential for wills and estates lawyers. Hear a keynote address from The Hon Justice Lindsay AM, receive a comprehensive case update and understand the issues that can arise when preparing powers of attorney and guardianship documents and with court-authorized wills. Join our panel as they consider legal capacity from both the medical and legal perspectives. Gain your core compulsory CPD units while listening to topics tailored to wills and estates lawyers that will enhance your practice.

SESSION 1: NAVIGATING THE CHALLENGING ISSUES IN SUCCESSION LAW

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N19A

\$505

Chair: **Adeline Schiralli**, Consulting Principal, Keypoint Law; Accredited Specialist, Wills and Estates Law

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The Hon Justice Lindsay AM, Supreme Court of New South Wales

CHALLENGING LEGAL CAPACITY FROM A LEGAL AND MEDICAL PERSPECTIVE

Hear from a panel of senior legal and medical specialists as they provide insights into the issues and factors that can impact on determining legal capacity and on the challenges in assessing testamentary and decision-making capacity.

Facilitated by **Katelin Whitley**, Principal, Bestic Law; Accredited Specialist, Wills and Estates and Property Law

Panellists:

- Renee Bianchi**, Barrister, 13th Floor St James Hall Chambers; recommended Wills & Estates Litigation Junior Counsel – Australia, *Doyle's Guide 2023*
- Margaret Pringle**, Barrister, Chalfont Chambers; recommended Wills & Estates Litigation Junior Counsel – Australia, *Doyle's Guide 2024*
- Adjunct Professor Dr Tuly Rosenfeld**, Senior Specialist Geriatrician and Physician

NAVIGATING APPLICATIONS FOR COURT-AUTHORISED WILLS

A court-authorized will can be a useful method of ensuring that a person's testamentary intentions can be fulfilled, even if that person has lost capacity. With an aging population, it's timely to review these wills and unpack:

- Common situations where a party seeks a court-authorized will
- Evidence required to support an application
- Review of recent cases in the States and Territories concerning court-authorized wills

Presented by **Indran Sinnadurai**, Partner, Teece, Hodgson & Ward; Accredited Specialist, Wills & Estates Law; Recognised as Leading Wills & Estates Litigation Lawyers – New South Wales, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

COMPLEX ISSUES ARISING WHEN DRAFTING POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND ENDURING GUARDIANSHIP DOCUMENTS

In September 2024, the Australian Human Rights Commission published findings in relation to a national survey on the understanding and use of enduring powers of attorney. The data concluded that there is limited community awareness and knowledge about powers of attorney and a lack of understanding of rights and obligations in relation to the documents.

Explore the various complex issues faced when preparing these important documents including:

- Taking instructions
- Drafting special provisions
- Getting the details right
- Identifying red flags; and
- Managing conflicts of interest

Presented by **Marie Brownell**, Director, Estate Planning and Administration, NSW Trustee and Guardian; Accredited Specialist in Wills and Estates Law; Lecturer, College of Law

WILLS AND ESTATES CASE LAW UPDATE

Take a deep dive into the implications of the latest decisions in a variety of types of wills and estates matters

Presented by **Raoul Wilson SC**, Eighth Floor Wentworth Chambers

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR WILLS & ESTATES LAWYERS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N19B

\$420

Chair: **Monica Ross-Maranik**, Consulting Principal, Keypoint Law; Accredited Specialist, Wills and Estates Law

✓ *Ethics & Professional Responsibility*

LAWYERS ACTING AS EXECUTORS: CONFLICT OR BREACH OF THEIR DUTIES

- The nature of executor's obligations where a lawyer is acting as executor
- Can an executor resign
- What happens if there is a conflict of interests
- What are executorial duties and can the lawyer charge for those
- What is considered a breach of duty
- Recent caselaw dealing with executors' behaviour
- Practical points and tips for lawyers acting as executor

Presented by **Irina Hoskinson**, Barrister, Latham Barristers

✓ *Professional Skills*

TIPS & TRICKS WITH MEDIATION IN ESTATE LITIGATION: PERSPECTIVES FROM A MEDIATOR AND A SOLICITOR

- When to mediate? Selecting a mediator, face to face, collaborative online, audiovisual teleconferencing or a hybrid form?
- Barristers: Why brief? When to brief? Benefits for clients and contributions to mediation process
- Mediation preparation: promoting process to clients, mediation and confidentiality agreements, position papers and opening statements
- Support persons: their role and place in a mediation
- Disclosing new information, evidence or claims: when and how to address (and respond) fairly and effectively
- What is the meaning of a "good faith" mediation?
- Making the most of the mediator during mediation
- Delightful and difficult opponents: mediation styles and strategies

Presented by **Asheetha Jelliffe**, Partner, Bridges Lawyers; Accredited Specialist, Wills and Estates Law; recognised as Preeminent Estate Litigation Lawyer- New South Wales, *Doyle's Guide 2024* and **Martin Gorrick**, Mediator, Gorrick Mediations

✓ *Practice Management and Business Skills*

RISK MANAGEMENT FOR SOLICITORS AND CLIENTS

- Identifying the client's circumstances
- Legislation and Regulations
- Remembering 'First Principles'
- Making a will
- Other estate planning documents
- Potential family provision claims
- Solicitors' negligence

Presented by **Mark Squire**, Practice Group Leader- Wills and Estates, Vinden Lawyers

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FAMILY LAW - KEY ISSUES IN FINANCIAL MATTERS

WEDNESDAY, 12 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

\$505
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Unpack the essential issues you need to tackle in family law financial and property matters. All the difficult issues examined: handling non-disclosure, understanding the FCFCOA rules, and knowing when and how to bring an application in proceedings. Learn what to do when debts exceed assets and what key factors to consider in forum disputes, including the differences between parenting and financial matters. Gain insight into managing complex estate issues that may arise in your family law case.

Chair: **Claire O'Connor SC**, Villeneuve Smith Chambers

DEALING WITH NON-DISCLOSURE: WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW

- The FCFCOA Rules and obligations to make full and frank disclosure
- Applications in a Proceeding
- Subpoenas
- Specific Questions, Notices to Produce and Notices to Admit
- Chang & Su: principals and subsequent authorities

Presented by **Bronia Tulloch**, Barrister, Foley's List

WHEN THE DEBT IS GREATER THAN THE ASSETS: NEGATIVE ASSET POOL

- Avoiding the iceberg: survival strategies when all seems lost
- Practical steps in dealing with banks and other creditors
- Keeping the ATO onside during the crash crunch
- Advantages and disadvantages if the other party becomes insolvent or bankrupt

Presented by **Stephen Page**, Director, Page Provan; Accredited Specialist in Family Law; Recommended Family & Divorce Lawyer and Recommended Parenting & Children's Matters Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

HERE OR THERE? FORUM DISPUTES IN FAMILY LAW MATTERS

- Factors to be examined when there is a forum dispute
- Parenting vs. financial matters - does it make a difference?
- Practical tips: what to do when there are different options as to jurisdictions

Presented by **Eleanor Lau**, Partner, Lander & Rogers; Accredited Specialist in Family Law; Recommended Family Law & Divorce Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

THE MARRIAGE OF DECEASED ESTATES AND FAMILY LAW

- Separation, divorce, marriage – and their impact on wills and superannuation
- Death before, during and after family law proceedings

Presented by **Andrew Meiliunas**, Associate Director, Nevett Ford Lawyers



NEW PRIVACY ACT REFORMS FOR ALL LAWYERS: ONE HOUR INTENSIVE

THURSDAY, 13 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 3.15PM

\$160
WEB253N20

Chair: **Olga Ganopolsky**, General Counsel - Privacy and Data, Macquarie Group Limited

OVERVIEW OF THE PRIVACY ACT REFORMS

- Automated decision (AI and related operations)
- A new Privacy Code for collecting PI from children
- New powers of Minister
- Civil action for Serious Invasions of Privacy
- Doxxing offences

Presented by **Patrick Fair**, Principal, Patrick Fair and Associates; Adjunct Professor, School of Information Technology, Deakin University; Recommended Practitioner, Chambers, and TMT Recognised for his "encyclopaedic knowledge of laws concerning privacy and security"

DECIPHERING "REASONABLE STEPS" TO SECURING YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Changes to the reasonable steps under APP 11
- The civil penalties regime
- Infringements
- Applying the privacy rule of thumb

Presented by **David Tulacz**, Director – Privacy, Helios

Patrick Fair is the principal of Patrick Fair Associates, an Adjunct Professor at the School of Information Technology, Faculty of Science, Engineering and Built Environment at Deakin University, the Chairman of the Communications Security Reference Panel at the Communications Alliance, a member of the IoT Alliance of Australia Security Workstream Member Technical Advisory Standing Committee auDA and General Advisor to and an author of LexisNexis Practical Guidance Cybersecurity, Data Protection and Privacy.

David Tulacz is an Information Privacy, Security & Risk specialist with over 20 years of experience leading business intelligence, technology, and data governance programs. Throughout his career, David has served as a trusted advisor for leading technology companies, supporting them to successfully implement business-critical software and systems to improve operational effectiveness and enable new revenue streams across the business whilst meeting relevant regulations and standards.



CRITICAL UPDATES OVER LUNCH

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4 CPD UNITS

- 4 CPD units in Substantive Law

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1 CPD UNIT

- 1 CPD unit in Substantive Law



ABUSE LAW SYMPOSIUM

FRIDAY, 14 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 4.15PM

\$710
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It's been a year of developing law in the abuse space. The High Court has handed down its decision in *DP v Bird*, there have been changes to the Redress Scheme, the biggest verdict in an abuse claim was made in Victoria. Update your knowledge plus learn from legal and medical experts as they traverse some of the more challenging technical issues you will confront in your practice.

SESSION 1: ABUSE LAW AND PHYSICAL AND PSYCHIATRIC ISSUES

9.00AM TO 12.15PM WEB253N21A

\$420

Chair: **Shaun McCarthy**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers

PHYSICAL ABUSE CLAIMS IN A HISTORICAL ABUSE SETTING

- What constitutes serious physical abuse
- Review of different jurisdictional approaches
- Case law on corporal punishment
- Where will the line be drawn between lawful chastisement and physical abuse?

Presented by **Martin Slattery**, Partner, and **Zoe Brindle**, Senior Associate, Carroll & O'Dea

✓ Professional Skills

PSYCHIATRIC INJURY IN ABUSE CLAIMS

Understanding the impact on the developing brain and personality when a child is abused. Practical advice on engaging a psychiatrist in an historical abuse claim including

- Drafting the letter of retainer
- Understanding what occurs in the interview
- What to look for in the report

Presented by **Associate Professor Carolyn Quadrio**, School of Psychiatry, University of NSW

FIRESIDE CHAT: MEDICAL CAUSATION AND APPORTIONMENT

- What is meant by indivisible injury?
- Proving the abuse made a material contribution to the condition
- How courts deal with prior or subsequent traumas in the assessment of causation, apportionment and the assessment of damages
- Emotional development and how ACE (adverse childhood events) can impact development leading to psychological manifestations

Panel includes

Dr Sharon Reutens, Psychiatrist

Michelle Martin, Principal Lawyer, North Star Law

Marini Mann, Principal, Gilchrist Connell

SESSION 2: LEGAL REDRESS SCHEME, VICARIOUS LIABILITY UPDATE AND THE DEFENDANT'S PERSPECTIVE

1.00PM TO 4.15PM WEB253N21B

\$420

Chair: **Maithri Panagoda AM**, Partner, Carroll & O'Dea

UPDATE ON THE REDRESS SCHEME

- The fundamentals of the National Redress Scheme
- Updates on the April & Oct 2024 changes
 - › Applying from prison
 - › Applicants with serious criminal convictions
 - › Reviews
 - › Re-assessment of certain applications
- Managing client expectations and experiences throughout the journey
- Redress Support Services and other relevant service pathways

Presented by **Rachel Neil**, Director – Integrated Services, Knowmore

EXPLORING THE UNIQUE SITUATION OF DEFENDANTS AND THEIR LAWYERS WITH AN ABUSE LAW PRACTICE

- Exploring potential insurance coverage and working with your insurer for the defence of proceedings
- Reportable conduct and liability investigations
- Determining defence strategy, having regard to both micro and macro issues
- Contribution and indemnity cross-claims /third-party claims

Presented by **Luke Geary**, Partner, Mills Oakley; Recognised Lawyer, Non-Profit/Charities Law, *The Best Lawyers Australia*

DEVELOPMENTS IN THE LAW RELATING TO VICARIOUS LIABILITY

- A refresher on vicarious liability in historical abuse cases
- A review of the recent vicarious liability cases around Australia
- A review of the legal journey leading to *Bird v. DP (a pseudonym)* [2024] HCATrans 16 or, possibly, the High Court's decision in *Bird v DP*

Presented by **Asanka Gunasekera**, Barrister, Francis Burt Chambers

“This provides crucial foundation for a strong case to be built”

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6 CPD UNITS

- 5 CPD units in Substantive Law
- 1 CPD unit in Professional Skills



CONTRACT LAW CONFERENCE 2025: RISK MINIMISATION, REGULATORY COMPLIANCE AND DISPUTES

FRIDAY, 14 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795
253N22

A jam-packed Contracts Conference. Business risks are real; here you will find the solutions from a well-known panel of experts. Explore unfair contract terms enforcement and the latest cases and decisions along with navigating contract frustration. Examine warranty, indemnity, liability, and insurance clauses. Learn to identify early warning signs of insolvency and risk management through contracts. Gain insight into privacy and data protection requirements and compliance considerations for emerging regulatory issues. Additionally, explore alternative dispute resolution techniques, favourable exit negotiation strategies, and best practices for e-contracting.

SESSION 1: NAVIGATING CONTRACT DISPUTES

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N22A

\$505

Chair: **Simone Rees**, Co-Founder and Principal, Buchanan Rees Dispute Lawyers

UNFAIR CONTRACT TERMS IN THE WAKE OF THE RUBY PRINCESS DECISION

- Can we see any trends
- What lessons can we learn

Presented by **Robert O'Neill**, Barrister, Lachlan Macquarie Chambers

FRUSTRATION OF CONTRACTS

- Principles of frustration: From Codelfa to Cao
- When (if ever) does hardship of performance amount to frustration?
- Frustration and force majeure clauses
- *The Frustrated Contracts Act 1978* (NSW): when does (and doesn't) it affect the question?

Presented by **Angus Macinnis**, Director of Dispute Resolution, StevensVuaran Lawyers

NAVIGATING INSOLVENCY ISSUES IN YOUR CONTRACTS: KEY CONSIDERATIONS WHEN ANOTHER PARTY FACES INSOLVENCY RISKS

- Understanding the key risks to clients contracting with parties who face solvency challenges
- Early warning indicators of insolvency
- Strategies to mitigate risk for clients: immediate & future risks

Presented by **Ben Dibden**, Partner, Bridges Lawyers, Recommended Commercial Litigation and Dispute Resolution Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

FACTORS LIMITING AN AWARD OF DAMAGES FOR BREACH OF CONTRACT

- Why damages
- Expectation principle
- Proving loss
- Onus
- Damages for loss of opportunity and reliance damages and consequential loss
- What are the factors that limit an award of damages for breach of contract
- Causation and remoteness
- Mitigation and imitation of liability clauses
- Rationale behind these factors providing a vital legal constraint to recovery of damages
- Distinction between causation and remoteness

Presented by **Luke Buchanan**, Co-Founder and Principal, Buchanan Rees Dispute Lawyers; *Best Lawyers*, Litigation 2025 & Class Action Litigation 2023

ADR AND STRATEGIES THAT FACILITATE FAVOURABLE EXIT NEGOTIATIONS

- The appropriate stage to consider and plan ADR
- ADR options domestic disputes: mediation, neutral evaluation and arbitration
- Manner and form of resolution of domestic disputes
- ADR options international disputes: mediation and arbitration
- Manner and form of resolution of international disputes

Presented by **Christopher Freeman**, Barrister, Culwulla Chambers

SESSION 2: DRAFTING CONTRACTS FOR RISK MINIMISATION AND REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N22B

\$420

Chair: **Wai Kaey Soon**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers

PRIVACY, DATA PROTECTION AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION PROVISIONS IN YOUR AGREEMENTS

- Privacy obligations including in the event of a data breach
- Rights to use, disclose and retain data
- Protecting confidential information and trade secrets

Presented by **Donna Short**, Partner, Addissons, Recommended Non-Contentious Intellectual Property Lawyers, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

RISK ALLOCATION TOOLS: INSURANCE, INDEMNITY AND WARRANTY CLAUSES

- Insurance as a resource and risk allocation tool
- Effective insurance, indemnity and warranty clauses
- Key insurance concepts and common misconceptions
- Maximising the benefits of your insurance policy as a contract risk allocation tool

Presented by **Raymond Giblett**, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright Australia and Timothy Chan ANZIIIF CIP, Senior Associate, Norton Rose Fulbright Australia

COMPLIANCE, MITIGATION AND EMERGING RISKS IN AUSTRALIA: WHAT TO LOOK FOR IN YOUR CONTRACTS?

- Contractual strategies for managing directors' and officers' liability: trends and recent developments
- Addressing emerging risks (cybersecurity, environmental) through effective contract clauses for board and management compliance
- Contractual protections for small to medium enterprises, with a focus on the lasting impact of COVID-19
- Future-proofing contracts to mitigate potential risks and liabilities

Presented by **James Stanton**, Senior Associate, MinterEllison

E-CONTRACTING AND ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES

- Best practices: creating and managing electronic contracts
- Signatures
- Authentication
- Liability issues
- Online dispute resolution

Presented by **Richard Chew**, Partner, K&L Gates; *Best Lawyers 2023*, Commercial Law; *Best Lawyers 2023*, Information Technology Law 2025

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CRIMINAL LAW CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, 14 MARCH 2025

9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795

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You will walk out of this conference with a thorough understanding of the latest developments in criminal law. From the shared experience and expertise of members of the Judiciary relating to navigating the Drug Court and the new coercive control offence through to gaining a practical understanding of the new *Bail Act* amendments, you will be equipped with the skills and knowledge that you need. Throughout the day you will unpack digital access orders, essential jury skills and a practical understanding of digital forensics. Plus, gain your professional skills and ethics CPD units while exploring issues of paramount relevance to criminal practitioners.

SESSION 1: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, BAIL, DRUG COURT AND DIGITAL ACCESS ORDERS

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N23A

\$505

Chair: **Ian Lloyd KC**, Trust Chambers; Recommended Criminal Law Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

VIEW FROM THE BENCH

COERCIVE AND CONTROL: WHERE ARE WE NOW AND WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED

Presented by **Deputy Chief Magistrate Freund**, Local Court of New South Wales

VIEW FROM THE BENCH

NAVIGATING THE DRUG COURT, COMPULSORY DRUG CORRECTIONAL CENTRE

Presented by **Senior Judge Mottley AM**, Drug Court of New South Wales

COERCIVE CONTROL AND FAMILY LAW: NAVIGATING THEIR COMPLEX INTERSECTION

- The new offence of coercive control and the longstanding use of this term in family law matters
- The release of the Harman Undertaking and what documents can be of use in concurrent proceedings
- Likely outcomes for clients charged with domestic violence offences in parenting matters
- The impact domestic violence has and will have on property division

Presented by **Samantha Lewis**, Principal and Director, Lewis Family Lawyers; Accredited Specialist in Family Law

THE NEW BAIL ACT AMENDMENTS

- Recent changes to the *Bail Act*
- Advice to clients charged with offences caught by the new legislation
- Applications for bail and challenges for practitioners under the new scheme

Presented by **Eugene Renard**, Barrister, Samuel Griffith Chambers

DIGITAL ACCESS ORDERS: PROVIDING ADVICE AND EVIDENTIARY CONSIDERATIONS POINTS

While there was initially somewhat of a slow take up after the 1 February 2023 introduction of the power, there is now an increasing trend of NSW Police applying for and issuing Digital Access Orders under Part 5, Division 4A *Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act*.

Examine:

- What the order authorises police to do or request
- What advice should be provided to clients who are about to be subject to an order
- The consequences of non-compliance
- Evidentiary considerations in proceedings in which a digital access order was made, and in particular, excluding admissions which fall outside the scope of the order

Presented by **Trudie Cameron**, Consulting Solicitor, Armstrong Legal; Leading Criminal Defence Lawyers, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

SESSION 2: PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND ETHICS FOR CRIMINAL LAWYERS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N23B

\$420

Chair: **Nicholas Cowdery AO KC FAAL**, Former Director of Public Prosecutions for NSW (1994-2011), former Barrister (1971-2017), former Associate Judge of the District Court of NSW

✓ *Professional Skills*

JURY SKILLS

- Strategies and tactics for solicitors and barristers to connect with juries

Presented by **Lisa-Claire Hutchinson**, Barrister, Forbes Chambers, Leading Criminal Defence Lawyers, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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DIGITAL FORENSIC AND INCIDENT RESPONSE

- Digital forensics and imaging: handling cases, activities and device security
- Chain of custody & authority to perform investigations
- Performing digital forensics on devices
- Evidence preservation, and collection

Presented by **Andrew Constantine**, Founder and Managing Director, CIO Cyber Security

✓ *Ethics & Professional Responsibility*

ETHICAL ISSUES ARISING IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MATTERS

- Contact with complainant
- Advising accused persons
- Advising reluctant complainants

Presented by **Michal Mantaj**, Trial Advocate, Accredited Specialist Criminal Law



NEED MORE CRIMINAL LAW CPD POINTS?

See page 44 for Traffic Law Forum

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10 POINTS ON A SATURDAY

SATURDAY, 15 MARCH 2025

7.30AM TO 6.30PM

\$990

253N24

Don't want to eat into your work week for your CPD Points? 10 Points on a Saturday will keep you abreast of new laws and trends and to provide practical guidance from subject matter experts. With a broad range of topics covering wills and family, property, contracts, consumer, insolvency and commercial law, plus tick the compulsory ethics, professional skills and practice management boxes, you can attend for the full 10 hours or only the sessions most relevant to your practice.

SESSION 1: WILLS & ESTATES AND FAMILY LAW

7.30AM TO 10.30AM 253N24A

\$420

Chair: **Geoffrey Underwood**, Barrister, Sixth Floor Selborne Wentworth Chambers

ESTATE LITIGATION: THE PAST 12 MONTHS

An overview of the past 12 months of decisions in family provision and estate litigation

Presented by **Leah Sewell**, Barrister, 9th Floor, 67 Castlereagh Street Chambers; Recommended Wills & Estates Litigation Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

EVERYTHING'S NOT AWESOME – LET'S BUILD IT TOGETHER: CONSTRUCTION AND RECTIFICATION OF WILLS

- Principles of construction: the meaning of the words on the page in light of the surrounding circumstances
 - › Beneficiaries
 - › Property
 - › Substitution
 - › Charity and cy pres schemes
 - › Equalisation clauses
- Principles of rectification
 - › Clerical errors; failure to follow instructions; extensions of time

Presented by **Craig Birtles**, Barrister, Two Wentworth Chambers; Preeminent Wills & Estates Litigation Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

ANALYSIS OF RECENT FAMILY LAW AND PROPERTY DIVISION CASES

Stay updated on the latest key cases and trends from the Family Court of Australia and the Federal Circuit Court, focusing on property and financial settlements.

Presented by **Petros Macarounas**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR ALL LAWYERS

10.45AM TO 1.45PM 253N24B

\$420

✓ *Practice Management and Business Skills*

UNDERSTANDING WORKPLACE RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES IN YOUR PRACTICE

- Right to Disconnect
- Respect@Work
- Psychosocial obligations and liabilities
- Steps to navigate these reforms and what it takes to remain compliant

Presented by **Nick Chadwick**, Principal, Chadwick Workplace Law

✓ *Ethics & Professional Responsibility*

ETHICS, COSTS, LITIGATION AND ADR

- The AGD and Law Council of Australia
- AMDRAS – Code of Ethics: New wine in old skins or old wine in new skins?
- Professional ethics and responsibility

Presented by **Elizabeth Picker**, Barrister, Queens's Square Chambers

✓ *Professional Skills*

AFFIDAVIT EVIDENCE OF CONVERSATIONS: THE COMPLETELY OPPOSITE VIEWS OF THE FEDERAL COURT AND THE NSW COURT OF APPEAL

One of the challenges for litigation lawyers is getting evidence in correct form. Examine the common law rules on the form of direct speech evidence and the challenges you might face in light of competing judicial observations about how it should be done.

Presented by **David Jury**, Partner, HWL Ebsworth Lawyer

SESSION 3: PROPERTY, TAX, IP & CONSUMER LAW, INSOLVENCY & CONTRACTS

2.15PM TO 6.30PM 253N24C

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Chair: **Dianne Skapinker**, Principal, Skapinker Law; Leading Property & Real Estate Lawyers *Doyle's Guide 2024*

IMPORTANT PROPERTY LAW DEVELOPMENTS YOU SHOULD KNOW

Join us for a comprehensive session on key property law developments. Discover the latest cases and legal changes impacting the field and your legal practice.

Presented by **Philip Bambagiotti**, Barrister, Tenth Floor, St James Hall Chambers

CRITICAL PROPERTY TAX AND STAMP DUTY CHANGES: CATCH UP AND REVIEW

Catch up on the critical changes in property tax over the past year

- Current stamp duty issues for property transactions
- New land tax issues and the implications
- Foreign Person Surcharge issues
- Other important and recent cases, changes and trends

Presented by **Oliver Berkmann**, Barrister, Ground Floor Wentworth Chambers

EMERGING TRENDS AND HOT TOPICS IN IP AND CONSUMER LAW REVIEW

- Recent cases and latest developments in IP, confidentiality, advertising and marketing
- AI and IP: Where are we up to in Australia?
- Other hot topics to keep on your radar

Presented by **Alison Jones**, Special Counsel, Corrs Chambers Westgarth

CORPORATE INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY: REFORMS AND CURRENT TRENDS

- Safe harbour plans, small business restructuring vs deed of company arrangements
- Preferences and changes to the peak indebtedness rule
- Resulting trusts and insolvency case update

Presented by **Stipe Vuleta**, Managing Director, Chamberlains

CONTRACT DISPUTES: CASE LAW UPDATE

- Indemnities and when they can be enforced
- Interpretation of dispute resolution clauses
- Dispute resolution clause enforceability
- Solatium and the approach of the High Court

Presented by **Matthew Graham**, Partner, HWL Ebsworth

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MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS: NEW REGULATION, DUE DILIGENCE AND STRUCTURING

MONDAY, 17 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 12.15PM

\$420
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With the most significant overhaul of M&A regulation in nearly 50 years, Treasury Laws Amendment (Mergers and Acquisitions Reform) Bill 2024 is set to take effect in Australia in 2025. Understand the procedural changes in merger control, substantive law modifications, and the ACCC's revised approach while anticipating developments in 2025/2026. Plus, explore financial due diligence, and the integration of IP assets into acquisitions under the new regulatory framework.

Chair: **Amanda Comelli**, Partner, Brown Wright Stein; Specialist Accreditation Advisory Committee for Business Law

MERGER CONTROL REFORMS: WHAT IT MEANS FOR M&A

- Background and context to the reforms: Treasury Laws Amendment (Mergers and Acquisitions Reform) Bill 2024
- Procedural changes in merger control
- Changes to the substantive law
- New approach of the ACCC
- Next steps and issues to watch in 2025/2026

Presented by **Dr Martyn Taylor**, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright; Winner of Deal of the Year for *Best Lawyers* 5 times including in Australia, Aisa and the World categories and **Dietrich Marquardt**, Special Counsel, Norton Rose Fulbright

IN THE RED BUT OWNS GOOD IP: INTEGRATING THE ACQUISITION IN THE CONTEXT OF NEW M&A REGULATIONS

- Strategic importance of IP in increasing the value of distressed assets during M&A
- IP due diligence in the context of new M&A regulations
- Robust due diligence process to identify and mitigate potential anti-competitive risks associated with IP holdings
- Strategies for maximising IP value post-acquisition
- Integrating IP into the larger business strategy

Presented by **Nicole Murdoch**, Principal, EAGLEGATE Lawyers, Recommended Non-Contentious Intellectual Property Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

✓ Professional Skills

FINANCIAL DUE DILIGENCE AND VENDOR ASSISTANCE: HOW IT ADDS TO THE DEAL VALUE

- Enhanced deal certainty
- Improved negotiation leverage
- Accelerated deal closing
- Risk mitigation
- Synergy identification

Presented by **Vinod Parasuraman**, Partner, Head of Transaction Services, Pitcher Partners



PPSR: DRAFTING, ENFORCING AND DISPUTING SECURITY INTERESTS

MONDAY, 17 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$420
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It is a perennial, but you must be totally on top of your understanding of correct practice and procedure of PPSR registrations especially in an economic climate of increasing insolvencies. Be guided through enforcing general security interests under the *Personal Property and Securities Act 2009*. Consider the issues in navigating insolvency issues in PPSR and perfect accurate PPSR registrations. Examine the impact of recent decisions on PPSR and asset protection mechanisms, along with strategies to ensure compliance and prevent disputes.

Chair: **Ian Davidson SC**, Eight Selborne Chambers

ENFORCING GENERAL SECURITY INTERESTS UNDER THE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND SECURITIES ACT 2009

- Drafting, reviewing and negotiating contracts effectively to protect your client's assets
- Navigating legal compliance nightmares: how contract mechanisms can shield against emerging risks and regulatory challenges
- Contractual powerplay

Presented by **Steven Brown**, Chairman, Etienne Lawyers; Accredited Specialist in Business Law

NAVIGATING INSOLVENCY ISSUES IN PPSR: HOW ACCURATE PPSR REGISTRATIONS CAN PROTECT YOUR CLIENT IN INSOLVENCY?

- Warning signs
- Dealing with client expectations
- Inadequate or incorrect registrations
- Priority conflicts
- Reputational risks
- Regulatory challenges
- Managing risks when all goes wrong
- Preventing losses of ownership during insolvency and ensures continued protection of your client's assets

Presented by **Stacy Miller**, Partner, Cronin Miller; Recommended for Litigation, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

PPSR DISPUTES

- False or inaccurate registrations on the PPSR
- Disputes relating to a PPS lease existence not registered on the PPSR
- Ownership rights do not automatically give rise to a PPSR security interest

Presented by **Stipe Vuleta**, Managing Director, Chamberlains Law Firm

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DUST DISEASES CLAIMS UPDATE



MARITIME LAW

MONDAY, 17 MARCH 2025
1.30PM TO 5.15PM

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Dust disease claims practice is a constantly evolving area of personal injury law. Consider some of the essential current concerns impacting dust diseases claims. Consider the health risks of tunnelling work and the recent increase of claims that have occurred, keep up to date on recent decisions in Australia, plus explore the vexed question of capacity when the claimant is elderly and you have concerns about their capacity to provide instructions. How do you determine whether they have capacity and what steps can you take if they don't.

Chair: **Lian Chami**, Partner, Bartier Perry; Preeminent Dust Diseases Lawyers (Defendant) – New South Wales, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

JUDICIAL DECISION MAKING IN DUST DISEASES CLAIMS

Presented by **Her Honour, Judge Wendy Strathdee**, Dust Diseases Tribunal NSW

✓ Professional Skills

BENEATH THE SURFACE: THE HEALTH RISKS OF TUNNELLING WORK

- Overview of tunnel construction, common health hazards and work-related diseases in tunnel workers
- Various tunnelling methods and how these methods impact on workplace exposure
- Consideration of the workgroups most at risk
- Typical control measures put in place to protect worker health and the gaps that can exist

Presented by **Kate Cole OAM**, Certified Occupational Hygienist, Cole Health

✓ Professional Skills

EXPLORING MENTAL CAPACITY OF THE ELDERLY OR INFIRMED CLAIMANT

- Different roles: the Court, the medical practitioner and the solicitor in the assessment of capacity
- Legal and medical tests for the assessment of capacity
- Role of the solicitor: communication with the client and taking clear instructions
- Warning signs for solicitors: what to do and when to engage a medical practitioner
- Referrals and letters of instruction: How can solicitors best assist the medical practitioner and the Court
- Role of the medical specialist
- Disclosure of documents and consent: confidentiality issues
- What steps the lawyer can take if the client's capacity is compromised

Presented by **Dr Amanda White**, Clinical Neuropsychologist and Forensic Psychologist, Neuropsychological & Forensic Services

CASE REVIEW AND UPDATES ON LIABILITY AND ASSESSMENT OF DAMAGES: PRACTICAL GUIDANCE AND INSIGHTS

- Liability decisions including recent decisions relating to health risks of tunnelling
- Cases on assessment of damages

Panel Includes:

Annie Hoffman, Managing Partner, Turner Freeman; Recommended Dust Diseases Compensation Lawyers & Law Firms (Plaintiff) *Doyle's Guide 2024*
Victoria Keays, Partner, Gordon Legal, Preeminent Asbestos & Dust Diseases Compensation Lawyers (Plaintiff) *Doyle's Guide 2023*
Laine Ashforth-McDonald, Senior Associate, Slater & Gordon, Leading Dust Diseases Compensation Lawyers & Law Firms (Plaintiff) *Doyle's Guide 2024*
Jonathan Walsh, Partner, Maurice Blackburn; Leading Dust Diseases Compensation Lawyers & Law Firms (Plaintiff) *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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- 2 CPD units in Professional Skills

MONDAY, 17 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

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Explore the latest developments in maritime law - discuss current key topics including enforcing in rem claims by the judicial sale of a ship, new cybersecurity laws impacting maritime operations, the Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims and collisions at sea. You have a unique opportunity to connect with experts and enhance your understanding of critical legal issues in the maritime sector.

Chair: **Drew James**, Lawyer, Aus Ship Lawyers & Consultants; Preeminent Admiralty, Shipping & Maritime Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

NEW CYBER SECURITY LAWS AND HOW THEY IMPACT MARITIME AND PORTS LAW

- Scope of the new *Cyber Security Act*
- Changes to the *Security of Critical Infrastructure Act* and *MTOFSA*
- Changes to the *Privacy Act*
- Cyber incident response and communications with agencies, regulators and stakeholders

Presented by **Richard Donaldson**, General Counsel, Pilbara Ports Authority

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN ENFORCING IN REM CLAIMS BY THE JUDICIAL SALE OF A SHIP

- Pursuing *in rem* and *in personam* claims jointly
- Obtaining an order for the sale of a ship
- Issues arising in the course of a judicial sale
- Issues arising following a judicial sale
- The UN Convention on the International Effect of the Judicial Sales of Ships

Presented by **Gregory Nell SC**, Barrister, New Chambers

THE CONVENTION ON LIMITATION OF LIABILITY FOR MARITIME CLAIMS (LLMC)

- The APL Sydney: the "distinct occasion" doctrine re-visited
- The Goliath: wreck removal – maintaining the status quo

Nic Van Der Reyden, Partner, Clyde & Co; Leading Admiralty, Shipping & Maritime Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

COLLISIONS AT SEA

- The scope of potential liability: vicarious liability of ship owners for negligence by master and crew
- Duty of care
- The collision regulations
- Pilotage and tug operations

Presented by **Pat Saraceni**, Director, Litigation and Dispute Resolution, **Clifford Chance**; Editorial board Member, ANZ Maritime Law Journal

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RETAIL AND COMMERCIAL LEASING

TUESDAY, 18 MARCH 2025

9.00AM TO 5.15PM

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Do you have the knowledge to excel in today's leasing environment? Are you up-to-speed on key leasing issues and solutions? Navigate the murky waters of term sheets and heads of agreement to prevent disputes and effectively manage the unfair contracts regime to strengthen your negotiations. Ensure your clients are covered regarding outgoing and approvals as you tackle the challenges posed by mixed-use developments and avoid costly valuation errors with practical insights into drafting market rent clauses and tax.

SESSION 1: NAVIGATING LEASE AGREEMENTS: KEY INSIGHTS AND PRACTICAL STRATEGIES

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N26A

\$505

Chair: **Bernard Lloyd**, Barrister, Nine Wentworth Chambers

A COMPREHENSIVE OVERVIEW OF THE RETAIL LEASES ACT

- Gain a summary of key provisions of the *Retail Leases Act*: essential provisions that should be top of mind and some important but frequently overlooked provisions
- Essential information for anyone who practices in the area of retail leases and will be equally relevant for both senior practitioners and junior lawyers

Presented by **Anthony Herro**, Principal Solicitor, Herro Solicitors; Recognised in *The Best Lawyers in Australia 2025* for Leasing Law; Leading Leasing Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

NAVIGATING LEASE NEGOTIATIONS CASE LAW REVIEW: IS YOUR TERM SHEET BINDING OR NON-BINDING?

Most commercial leases start with a term sheet or heads of agreement - it is the essence of the commercial agreement but is not always treated with sufficient gravity.

- Review the relevant case law
- Explore when a term sheet or heads of agreement is binding on the parties and the importance of express language as well as ongoing conduct
- Consider practical examples and work through scenarios to identify when (and how) to bind another party as well as how to preserve your client's right to withdraw

Presented by **Leisha de Aboitiz**, Partner, Massons; Leading Leasing Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

UNFAIR CONTRACT TERMS: THE IMPACT ON LEASING TRANSACTIONS

- The development of the Unfair Contract Terms regime
- The trend toward mitigating the imbalance in bargaining power in leasing transactions
- Common leasing provisions susceptible to being captured by the regime
- Tips and tricks for complying with the regime or utilising it in negotiations

Presented by **Sam Darwish**, Principal, Civic Lawyers Australia

STRATA ISSUES IN MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENTS

- Contributions to outgoing: What to pass onto tenants?
- Approvals for use: hours, noise levels, owner's corporation sign off
- Use of common areas and owner's corporation approval for specific exclusive rights
- Impact of by-laws on leasing
- Approval of fit out and works
- Car parking
- Due diligence when entering a lease

Presented by **Andrew Grima**, Partner, Bartier Perry

SESSION 2: LEASES: TAX, VALUATIONS AND DISPUTES

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N26B

\$420

Chair: **Jane Wolfe**, National Partner, Madison Marcus

YOUR COMPLETE GUIDE TO MARKET VALUATIONS

Whether you're dealing with complex leases or everyday transactions, gain essential insights to strengthen your approach.

- Discover key considerations for drafting or reviewing market rent clauses
- Learn how to address errors or mistakes in valuations
- Gain valuable tips for ensuring successful outcomes in the market

Presented by **Sara Hatcher**, Consulting Principal, Keypoint Law; *Best Lawyers 2024*, Real Property Law

TAX ISSUES IN LEASING

- Leasing and income tax (including CGT): a refresher on issues of lease incentives, fit-outs, capital allowances and other tax write-offs
- NSW State taxes and leases
- GST and leasing

Presented by **Denis Barlin**, Barrister, 13 Wentworth Chambers

BREACHES, TERMINATION, RELIEF AGAINST FORFEITURE AND NCAT

- Defaults which justify termination
- Terminating leases
- What is relief against forfeiture and how does it work?
- NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal: jurisdiction and process

Presented by **Maria Tsakirios**, Special Counsel, MinterEllison

*Detailed and
informative*

*Excellent, made
so many notes*

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EMPLOYMENT LAW SYMPOSIUM

TUESDAY, 18 MARCH 2025

9.00AM TO 5.15PM

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Join subject matter experts for a thorough examination practical impact of the major reforms to employment law you need to come to grips with in 2025. Gain the analysis that you need to excel in your role relating to legislative changes, 'closing loopholes', 'secure jobs better pay', recent changes to modern awards including the right to disconnect and the challenges of managing mental health in termination scenarios. Gain an expert view on the ever-evolving law of independent contractors and developments in WHS law that all workplace lawyers need to understand.

SESSION 1: LEGISLATIVE REFORM AND CASE LAW ROUNDUP

9.00AM TO 1.15PM

253N27A

\$505

Chair: **John Fernon SC**, PG Hely Chambers; Recommended Employment Law Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

WAGE THEFT: DEFINITIONS & DEVELOPMENTS

- What is wage theft?
- Legislative responses
- Relevant case law
- Further changes

Presented by **Glenn Fredericks**, Barrister, State Chambers, *Doyle's Guide Recommended Employment Barristers 2024*

"CLOSING LOOPHOLES" ONE YEAR ON AND "SECURE JOBS BETTER PAY" TWO YEARS ON

- Examine the practical impact of the changes introduced by the *Fair Work Legislation Amendment (Secure Jobs Better Pay) Act 2022* and the *Fair Work Legislation Amendment (Closing Loopholes) Acts 2023 and 2024*

Presented by **Brett Feltham**, Consultant, King & Wood Mallesons; Co-Chair of the Law Society of NSW's Employment Law Committee, Law Society of NSW Accredited Specialists in Employment and Industrial Relations Law

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

- Impacts of the new definition of 'employment' in the August 2024 amendments to the *Fair Work Act 2009*: expands jurisdiction of Fair Work Commission to include 'unfair contracts' of independent contractors
- Understand the implications of not correctly categorising workers and not ensuring fair contractual relationships when engaging independent contractors
- Independent contractors and the gig economy
- Exploration of the issues through case studies

Presented by **Elizabeth Devine**, Principal, Devine Law; Accredited Specialist in Employment and Industrial Law

RECENT CHANGES TO MODERN AWARDS INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO DISCONNECT: KEY TAKEAWAYS

- The right to disconnect term
- Major cases (as relevant once we get to March): re Junior Rates (Junior rates application (AM2024/24); re increase to lowest award rates, effective 1 Jan 25 (Review of C14 and C13 rates in modern awards

Presented by **Alina Kaye**, Partner, The Workplace Employment Lawyers

SESSION 2: TERMINATION AND MENTAL HEALTH, AI IN THE EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP, INVESTIGATIONS AND WHS UPDATE

2.00PM TO 5.15PM

253N27B

\$420

Chair: **Kiri Jervis**, Partner, Hamilton Locke; Legal 500 – Next Generation Partner – Labour and Employment/Workplace Health and Safety

THE RISE OF THE MACHINES: THE RISKS OF AI IN THE EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP

- What is AI and how is it being used by employers?
- Risks of AI in employment related decision-making
- Future trends
- Takeaways for employers

Presented by **Shivchand Jhinku**, Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills

MANAGING MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES IN TERMINATION SITUATIONS

- Dealing with prolonged absence from work and medical incapacity
- Duty of care

Presented by **Joe Murphy**, Director, Cowell Clarke Commercial Lawyers; Accredited Specialist in Employment Relations; *Best Lawyers 2025*, Labour, and Employment Law

WORKPLACE INVESTIGATIONS: THE NEW NORM?

- The greater importance of workplace investigations and cultural reviews in 2025 and beyond
- Senior executives behaving badly and the role of investigations
- How are whistleblowing investigations different
- Key traps to watch out for in conducting workplace investigations

Presented by **Lucienne Gleeson**, Partner, Baker McKenzie

KEY DEVELOPMENTS IN WORK HEALTH & SAFETY

- Defences to WHS prosecutions
- Alternatives to fines for WHS contraventions
- *Section 10 Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999*
- Delayed sentencing
- The new industrial manslaughter legislation in NSW and other jurisdictions
- Case update

Presented by **Ian Latham**, Barrister, Denman Chambers; Recommended Employment Barrister *Doyle's Guide, 2024*

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FAMILY LAW CONFERENCE 2025

WEDNESDAY, 19 MARCH 2025

9.00AM TO 5.15PM

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Delve into all the current issues for Family law property matters in one day! Explore the the rights and interests in Trusts and the distribution as a part of the asset pool. Unpack the current cases on adjustments, initial and external contributions and the running of third-party joinder applications. Stay informed with an annual update on recent cases and legislative changes, including the *Family Law Amendment Bill (No. 2) 2023 – Property Disputes Amendment*. Gain all your ethics and skills points though an in-depth discussion of business valuations, coercive control, and key ethical considerations for family law practitioners.

SESSION 1: TRUSTS, CONTRIBUTIONS, ADJUSTMENTS, 3RD PARTY JOINDER AND CASE UPDATE

9.00AM TO 1.15PM 253N29A

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Chair: **Alicia Elliott**, Director, Broun Abrahams Burreket; Accredited Specialist in Family Law; Leading Family & Divorce Lawyers – 2024, Leading Parenting & Children's Matters Lawyers & 2024, *Doyle's Guide*

TRUSTS: WHAT ARE YOUR RIGHTS OF INTEREST IN THE TRUST: CURRENT TRENDS

- Discretionary and Unit Trusts as part of the marital pool
 - › Applicable principles and recent decisions of note
 - › Balance sheet and taxation issues including Division 7A dangers, loans and unpaid present entitlements
 - › Evidentiary and strategic considerations
- The bank of mum and dad: equitable interests in property and trusts in millennial medium asset pools
 - › Potential equitable arguments: estoppel, constructive and resulting trusts
 - › Applicable legal principles and recent decisions
 - › Evidentiary and practical considerations

Presented by **Petros Macarounas**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers

THE WEIGHT TO BE GIVEN TO INITIAL AND EXTERNAL CONTRIBUTIONS EARLY IN THE RELATIONSHIP – IS THE SPRINGBOARD ARGUMENT DEAD?

While many consider the outcome in long relationships to tend towards an equal split, there is often still significant dispute around the weight to be given to initial and external contributions made early in the relationship in light of decisions like *Jabour & Jabour* [2019] FamCAFC 78. However, where the initial contributions of one party provided the springboard for most of the parties' wealth at separation, what weight should be given to that initial contribution?

Presented by **Phillip Ridgway**, Partner, Pearson Emerson; Accredited Specialist in Family Law

RECENT APPLICATIONS OF THE JUSTICE AND EQUITY PRINCIPLE WHICH MAY HAVE A DEVASTATING IMPACT ON YOUR CLIENT'S CASE

- A quick refresher on the High Court decision of *Mallet and Mallet*
- How *Stanford* built upon the decision in *Mallet*
- How recent applications of *Mallet* and *Stanford* jurisprudence can radically alter a family law property case
- Hallmarks to look out for if you are running a property adjustment case

Presented by **Martina Storgato**, Principal, Mills Oakley; National Accredited Mediator

3RD PARTY JOINDER APPLICATIONS: IS IT NECESSARY?

An analysis and discussion of recent cases

Presented by **Irene Morozov**, Practice Director, York Law; Leading and Recommended Family Divorce Lawyer (High-Value & Complex Property Matters) *Doyle's Guide 2024*

ANALYSIS OF RECENT FAMILY LAW AND PROPERTY DIVISION CASES AND UPDATE ON FAMILY LAW AMENDMENT BILL (NO 2) 2023 – PROPERTY DISPUTES AMENDMENTS

Gain that all-important annual case update, highlighting recent trends and practical take aways from recent cases, and an update on the latest legislative reforms impacting property disputes

Presented by **Monique Robb**, Partner, Lander & Rogers; "Rising Star" in family law, *Doyle's Guide*

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR FAMILY LAWYERS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N29B

\$420

Chair: **Jacqueline Dawson**, Principal Solicitor, Sexton Family Law; Accredited Specialist in Family Law

✓ *Professional Skills*

NAVIGATING THE BUSINESS VALUATION PROCESS: WHAT TO LOOK FOR, WHERE TO FIND IT AND HOW TO MANAGE THE PROCESS

Gain valuable insight into the valuation process including the complex issues which often arise when seeking to value the parties' business interests. Hear from an accredited forensic accountant and accredited business valuer on the key steps to assist your client in obtaining the right outcome. This session will cover:

- Identifying the assets and liabilities
- How to navigate the disclosure material
- He Said, She Said, where to now?
- When to retain a shadow expert
- Instructing the Single Joint Expert

Presented by **Lauren Cusack**, Director, Cusack Forensics; Accredited business valuer; Accredited forensic accountant with CAANZ

✓ *Practice Management and Business Skills*

RISK MANAGEMENT OF FAMILIES IMPACTED BY COERCIVE CONTROL

- Clients charged with the new offence of abusive behaviour of intimate partners
- Working with clients who are victims of coercive control in a variety of legal environments
- Navigating complex intersections of criminal and family law for lawyers

Presented by **Hayley Dean**, Senior Advocate, Legal Aid NSW and **Anna Baltins**, Director, Domestic Violence Unit

✓ *Ethics & Professional Responsibility*

REPUTATION (TAYLOR'S VERSION): CURRENT AND CONTINUING ETHICAL ISSUES FOR FAMILY LAWYERS

Big city, wrong choices? Explore emerging - and enduring - ethical issues in family law practice and some practical solutions to minimise risk. From new technologies and AI, to undertakings, disclosure, a throwback to *Taylor & Taylor* (1979) 143 CLR 1, and everything in between. Are you ready for it?

Presented by **Elizabeth Pearson**, Special Counsel, Barkus Doolan Winning

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WORKERS COMPENSATION AND MOTOR ACCIDENT CLAIMS UPDATE 2025

WEDNESDAY, 19 MARCH 2025

9.00AM TO 5.15PM

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Join your colleagues for your annual session providing a workers compensation review plus an exploration of key technical legal issues to improve your day-to-day practice. You will focus on the section 11A(1) defence to a psychological injury claim, reconsideration applications in the PIC plus how the PIC determines whether an injured person is a worker or an independent contractor. You will receive an update from the Personal Injury Commission, and guidance on motor accident claims for different vehicles and judicial review in motor accident cases. All not to be missed!

SESSION 1: WORKERS COMPENSATION CLAIMS UPDATE 2025

9.00AM TO 1.15PM

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Chair: **Mick Franco**, Partner, Bartier Perry; Preeminent Workers Compensation Lawyers (Defendant), *Doyle's Guide 2023*

DIVING DEEP INTO THE SECTION 11A(1) DEFENCE TO A PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURY CLAIM

- Psychological injury meaning and types
- Unpacking section 11A(1); components and limitations of defence
- Assessing PIC decisions
- Gathering relevant evidence
- Witnesses and privacy

Presented by **Peter Lichaa**, Partner and **Jamie Coleman**, Associate, Bartier Perry

RECONSIDERATION APPLICATIONS IN THE PIC

- What is a reconsideration and the relevant legislative provisions
- Jurisdiction and power to undertake reconsideration
- Jurisdiction of the Personal Injury Commission to reconsider Workers Compensation Commission decisions
- Unexercised rights under Schedule 1 of the *Personal Injury Commission Act 2020*

Presented by **Sarah Warren**, Barrister, Windeyer Chambers

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS ON THE ISSUE OF WORKER V INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

- Examining the issue of whether an injured person is a worker under the provisions of the *Workers Compensation Act 1987* or an independent contractor in light of the growth of sub-contractors working with contractors with either or both not having workers compensation insurance
- An examination of recent PIC Presidential decisions that consider the High Court decisions of *Personnel Contracting* and *Jamsek* which have resulted in some changes in how the "worker" issue is determined

Presented by **Dennis Epstein**, Barrister, Selborne Chambers

✓ Professional Skills

THE MEDICINE EXPLAINED: SHOULDER INJURIES

- What is the natural history of the rotator cuff with ageing
- Understanding what work-related factors contribute to shoulder injuries
- Are all rotator cuff tears acute? How to distinguish between acute and chronic rotator cuff tears
- Can favouring of one shoulder cause problems in the opposite shoulder?

Presented by **Dr Todd Gothelf**, Orthopaedic Surgeon, Senior Medical Assessor, Personal Injury Commission (PIC), Member Education Committee of Australian Medicolegal College

SESSION 2: MOTOR ACCIDENT CLAIMS UPDATE 2025

2.00PM TO 5.15PM

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\$420

Chair: **Paul Macken**, Partner, Leigh Virtue & Associates

PERSONAL INJURY COMMISSION UPDATES

- How the 500 Page rule is working
- Run through of recent legislative changes

Presented by **Marie Johns**, Head, Motor Accident Division, Personal Injury Commission

MOTOR ACCIDENT CLAIMS FOR DIFFERENT VEHICLES: BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS, QUAD BIKES, CAR AND BUS DOORS, FORKLIFTS, EXCAVATORS AND MORE

- The definitions of "motor vehicle" and "motor accident", and recent court decisions
- The big issue with 'cross-over' claims where compensation is under the WorkCover scheme but damages is under the *Motor Accident Injuries Act*
- "Public transport accidents" and *Chang v McTye*

Presented by **Tim Concannon**, Partner, Carroll & O'Dea; Recommended Motor Vehicle Accident Compensation Lawyers (Plaintiff), *Doyle's Guide 2023*

JUDICIAL REVIEW IN MOTOR ACCIDENT CASES: RECENT CASES AND TAKEAWAYS

- Recent decisions under the *Motor Accidents Injuries Act 2017* and the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act 1999*
- The latest authorities on judicial review of Personal Injury Commission proceedings
- Practical guide to judicial review proceeding

Presented by **Jnana Gumbert**, Barrister, Jack Shand Chambers, Preeminent Insurance & Personal Injury Law Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

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7 CPD UNITS

- 6 CPD units in Substantive Law
- 1 CPD unit in Professional Skills



TESTAMENTARY TRUST WORKSHOP



DEFAMATION LAW FORUM

WEDNESDAY, 19 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

\$505
253N28

In today's dynamic legal landscape, a basic Will no longer meets the diverse needs of all your clients. Join Paul Evans, a recognised Wills and Estates law expert for this comprehensive workshop, where you will acquire essential insights, real-world examples and clauses, effective strategies, and best practices to ensure your testamentary trust drafting expertise is always correct. Gain a full understanding of various testamentary trusts, tailored to address complex scenarios in blended families and asset protection needs, and beneficiaries facing disabilities or vulnerabilities.

THROUGHOUT THE WORKSHOP, YOU WILL REVIEW EXAMPLE CLAUSES AND LEARN HOW TO AVOID PITFALLS WHEN DRAFTING TESTAMENTARY TRUSTS, EXAMINING THE FOLLOWING:

- Circumstances for including a testamentary trust in the will
- Drafting for the different types of testamentary trusts:
 - › Special disability trusts
 - › Life interest trusts
 - › Superannuation death benefit trusts
 - › Testamentary discretionary trusts
- Managing tax issues with testamentary trusts
 - › Excepted Trust Income
 - › Capital gains tax and land tax
 - › Non-resident beneficiaries
- Administrative and legal requirements for setting up the trust
- Explore case studies to illustrate when a particular trust may be appropriate for a client's circumstances
- In-depth strategies to elevate your drafting
- Example clauses to take away and utilise in your drafting
- Example clauses to avoid and what to do differently

Presented by **Paul Evans**, Partner, Makinson d'Apice Lawyers; Accredited Specialist in Wills & Estates Law, Member of STEP; Preeminent Wills, Estates & Succession Planning Lawyers – New South Wales, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

PAUL EVANS

Paul Evans specialises in wills and estate planning, disputes to wills, protecting assets for future generations and estate administration. Paul lived in London for 18 years and during that time specialised in inheritance tax mitigation and also acted for charities. He worked at National Australia Trustees Limited (part of NAB Private Wealth) where he was Manager Northern States, Estate Planning. He is a regular speaker on Wills and Estate Law.

“**Succinctly provided information in an entertaining way**”

“**Informative + knowledgeable**”

ATTEND AND EARN 4 CPD UNITS

- 2 CPD units in Professional Skills
- 2 CPD units in Substantive Law

THURSDAY, 20 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$420
WEB253N31

Join an in-depth analysis of the pressing issues surrounding defamation law, where Senior Counsel and defamation experts unpack recent developments and their implications. Discuss the challenges of proving serious harm in the context of social media and the evolving landscape of AI. The influence of a plaintiff's reputation on legal outcomes will be critically analysed, drawing from significant case law to highlight relevant precedents. Examine the implications of proposed privacy torts within the entertainment industry. Insightful discussion will illuminate the practical challenges faced in today's legal environment, making this conference a must attend.

Chair: **Andrew Munro**, Partner, Wardell Chambers

DEFAMATION AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS

- Defamation on social media
 - › Serious harm?
 - › “Me-too”
- Defamation and AI

Presented by **Rebecca Dunn**, Partner, Gilbert + Tobin; Recognised as a leading lawyer in Asia Pacific Legal 500, *Best Lawyers* and *Doyle's Guide*

TRENDS IN DAMAGES AND MODERN DEFAMATION LAW

Sit down with **David Gilbertson KC**, of Owen Dixon Chambers West, and discuss a return to the old days, what happened to uniform defamation laws? As well as recent trends in damages awards – examining how these developments are influencing modern defamation law.

Presented by **David Gilbertson KC**, of Owen Dixon Chambers West

THE DAMAGED PLAINTIFF: HOW DOES A BAD REPUTATION AFFECT DEFAMATION CLAIMS?

- What can defendants do in such circumstances?
- The relevance of a plaintiff's bad reputation
- The traditional prohibition on reference to other publications for proving a damaged reputation - *Associated Newspapers Ltd v Dingle* [1964] AC 371 (Dingle) and *Carson v John Fairfax & Sons Ltd* (1993) 178 CLR 44
- Exceptions to the Dingle principle
- Do the prohibitions on the use of other publications to prove a plaintiff's damaged reputation apply to the serious harm test? Consideration of the treatment of this topic in: *Lachaux v Independent Print Ltd* [2019] UKSC 27 (2020) AC 612 and the differing treatment in *Selkirk v Wyatt* [2024] FCAFC 48 and *Peros v Nationwide News* (No 3) [2024] QSC 193

Presented by **Marcus Hoyne**, Barrister, Foley's List

DEFAMATION ISSUES IN AN ENTERTAINMENT CONTEXT

- Key considerations when legalling films, podcasts and books
- Overview of recent cases in Australia and overseas
- How will the proposed privacy tort apply?

Presented by **Marlia Saunders**, Partner, Thomson Geer

ATTEND AND EARN 3 CPD UNITS

- 3 CPD units in Substantive Law



VALUING, TRANSACTING AND CONTRACTING WITH DIGITAL ASSETS



SETTLING LITIGATION FORUM

THURSDAY, 20 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

\$505
WEB253N52

Digital assets offer great potential but come with complex legal challenges. Explore the legal frameworks of data sharing, storage and privacy aspects of blockchain and NFTs plus insights gained from Federal Court decisions. Examine smart contracts including the issues with AI in automated legal agreements. Navigate key tax considerations relating to transacting with digital assets and the approaches and implications of valuing and valuations of these assets. Gain clarity on managing risks when dealing with technology and digital assets including insolvency, disputes and litigation risks.

LEGAL ASPECTS OF BLOCKCHAINS AND NFT: TRANSACTIONS, DATA SHARING, STORAGE AND PRIVACY

- Understanding the legal framework surrounding blockchain technology and its application in transactions and data sharing
- Exploring privacy concerns
- Data storage solutions for NFTs and blockchain transactions
- Reviewing the latest Federal Court decisions in Australia and their impacts

Presented by **Dr. Adrian McCullagh**, Principal, ODMOB Lawyers; Ph D in IT Security; Research Fellow, Law Futures Center, Griffith University; Member of the Standards Australia Technical Committee on Blockchain

AUTOMATING LEGAL AGREEMENTS AND DATA AND AI AUTHENTICITY

- Smart Contracts v Smart Legal Contracts
- Smart legal contracts as property
- Data collection: issues and key focus areas
- Smart legal contracts and AI Agents

Presented by **James Myint**, Partner, Stirling & Rose

KEY TAX CONSIDERATIONS IN TRANSACTING WITH THESE ASSETS

- Tax implications of transacting with cryptocurrencies, NFTs, and other digital assets
- The ATO's stance on digital assets and compliance requirements
- Managing crypto tax for investors, businesses and self-managed super funds (SMSFs)
- Latest developments in crypto tax software and automation for professionals

Presented by **Maryna Kovalenko**, Director, Kova Tax; Co-Founder, Crypto Tax

✓ Professional Skills

VALUING DIGITAL ASSETS IN LEGAL DISPUTES

- Valuing digital assets: cryptocurrencies, NFTs and other blockchain-based assets
- Legal considerations and methodologies for business valuations in the context of mergers, acquisitions and disputes
- The impact of valuation on legal outcomes and dispute resolution
- Valuation reports, compliance with relevant standards and professional requirements

Presented by **Fiona Hansen**, Senior Managing Director, Head of Valuations Advisory, FTI Consulting Australia

MINIMISING THE RISKS OF TECHNOLOGY IN PRACTICE: WHAT DOES THIS EXACTLY MEAN?

- Identifying and managing risks and aligning with your client's business strategy
- Asset distribution, disputes and crypto custodian insolvency
- The role of cybersecurity and data governance
- Leveraging intangible assets to enhance business impact and enterprise value

Presented by **Steven Pettigrove**, Partner, Piper Alderman; Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2024: Australia – Rising Star for Fintech and Financial Services Regulatory

FRIDAY, 21 MARCH 2025
12.00PM TO 4.15PM

\$505
WEB253W11

Settling can be your best option—if your agreement is secure and tax-efficient. Start by structuring your offer of compromise with enforceability and potential cost consequences in mind. Understand “without prejudice” communications and when this protection might not apply. Gain expert insights on tax and collateral issues in settlement offers to avoid hidden surprises. Walk away with practical strategies for the challenges you face in your mediations and negotiations, bringing them to new heights of success.

Chair: **Anthony Willinge**, Barrister, Murray Chambers; Adjunct Professor at the University of Western Australia

✓ Professional Skills

OFFERS OF COMPROMISE AND COSTS CONSEQUENCES

- Getting the structure right and avoiding an ineffective offer
- Strategic considerations
- Comparisons between Calderbank Offers vs offers made under court rules
- Costs consideration

Presented by **Richard Douglas**, Barrister, Francis Burt Chambers

WITHOUT PREJUDICE COMMUNICATIONS

Presented by **GiGi Visscher**, Barrister, Francis Burt Chambers

TAX AND OTHER COLLATERAL CONSIDERATIONS IN SETTLEMENT OFFERS

Presented by **Matthew Crowley**, Barrister, Francis Burt Chambers; Recommended Tax Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

✓ Professional Skills

MEDIATIONS & NEGOTIATIONS: A CHALLENGE FOR LAWYERS?

- Legal skills and their limits in negotiation
- Psychology of negotiation: what can be done when material leverage is limited
- Can lawyers learn something from FBI negotiators
- Compromise as the enemy of the optimal deal

Presented by **Robert French**, Barrister, Francis Burt Chambers; Recommended Employment & WHS Law Barrister, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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IMMIGRATION LAW CONFERENCE 2025

FRIDAY, 21 MARCH 2025
8.30AM TO 5.00PM

\$795
253N33

Ensure your advice is always current. Be updated on the swathe of regulatory reform underway including relating to strengthening compliance and integrity in the immigration system through the Migration Amendment Bills and the Education Services for Overseas Students Amendment Bill, and Permanent Residency Pathways reform. Examine the impacts of domestic violence accusations and documentation challenges in the visa application process. Gain practical strategies for acting in Judicial Review matters and appeals to ART and visa cancellations.

SESSION 1: STRATEGIES TO DEAL WITH VISA REFORM

8.45AM TO 12.00PM 253N33A

\$420

Chair: **Alex Kaufman**, Head of Migration, Longton Legal

OVERVIEW OF THE GOVERNMENT'S STRENGTHENING OF COMPLIANCE AND INTEGRITY IN THE IMMIGRATION SYSTEM

- Rapid Review into the Exploitation of Australia's Visa System
- *The Migration Amendment (Strengthening Employer Compliance) Act 2024*
- The Migration Amendment (Work Related Visa Conditions) Regulations 2024
- The Migration Amendment (Workplace Justice Visa) Regulations 2024

Presented by **Maria Jockel**, Legal Principal and National Leader, Migration Services, BDO; Accredited Specialist in Immigration Law; Leading Immigration Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

CHANGES TO EMPLOYER SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMS AND PERMANENT RESIDENCY PATHWAYS

With the introduction of the Skills in Demand visa and overall reforms targeting skilled migration to address workforce shortages, increased mobility for migrants between sponsors, visa processing timeframes, and greater clarity and transparency on skilled visa requirements, this session will delve into:

- Keeping on top of the changes and how to give accurate, comprehensive guidance to ensure clients meet evolving criteria and are aware of all the options at their disposal to meet talent needs
- Advice to prevent compliance issues that could affect visa approvals or employer sanctions
- Ways to help clients achieve strategic workforce planning amid these regulatory changes

Presented by **Karen Lo**, Partner, *Ajuria Lawyers, Best Lawyers 2024*, Immigration Law

THE EDUCATION SERVICES FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS AMENDMENT (QUALITY AND INTEGRITY) (ESOS) BILL 2024 AND THE IMPLICATIONS FOR STUDENTS AND HIGHER EDUCATION PROVIDERS: PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS FOR LEGAL PRACTICE

- The ESOS Bill and its implications for higher education in Australia
- International students challenges arising from the Bill
- Temporary graduate visa
- Student visa processing delays
- Predictions for the higher education sector due to the ESOS Bill

Presented by **Wajihah Ahmed**, Partner and Mediator, *Buttar, Caldwell & Co*; Member, Human Rights Committee, Law Society of NSW; Co-Chair, Human Rights Law Committee, International Bar Association and **Ndi Ruppert**, Principal & Founder, *Ruppert Legal*; Leading Immigration Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

ESSENTIAL CRIMINAL LAW & PROCEDURE FOR MIGRATION PROFESSIONALS

Kim Hunter, criminal defence lawyer & Accredited Specialist Immigration Law will share her wealth of knowledge and experience in crimmigration law, including:

- Criminal procedure, AVO's and bail
- New coercive control criminal offences, bail, AVO's, penalties and immigration impacts
- Options for clients with charges including mental health dismissals
- Findings of guilt, convictions, bonds and sentencing generally
- Impacts on applications, visas, sponsors and citizenship
- Understanding police paperwork and AFP & ACIC reports
- Mandatory, character and 'risk' cancellations and character refusals
- Relevant DHA policy and procedures

Presented by **Kim Hunter**, Criminal Defence & Immigration Lawyer, Accredited Specialist in Immigration Law

SESSION 2: ETHICS FOR IMMIGRATION LAWYERS AND AGENTS

12.15PM TO 1.15PM 253N33B

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ETHICS IN IMMIGRATION PRACTICE: NAVIGATING ETHICAL DILEMMAS AND DOCUMENTATION FOR REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS

- Ethical implications of documentation challenges: documentation inconsistencies and ethical responses to these challenges.
- Family reunion complications and ethical responsibilities: issues arising from partial or uncertain information, balancing client advocacy with compliance obligations
- Dealing with misleading or false information: ethical obligations when clients provide inaccurate or misleading information
- Evidence assessment and truthfulness: ethical frameworks for gathering, assessing, and presenting evidence while respecting professional integrity and client confidentiality
- Managing processing delays with transparency

Presented by **Dr. Mary Crock**, Immigration Lawyer; Professor, The University of Sydney

SESSION 3: VISA CANCELLATION, JUDICIAL REVIEW & APPEALS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM 253N33C

\$420

Chair: **Lily Ong**, Principal, *Lily Ong Business Lawyer & Migration Consultants*; LIV Accredited Specialist Immigration Law; Leading Immigration Lawyers, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

RESPONDING TO A SS.109 AND 116 NOTICE AND HOW TO OVERCOME THE NOTICE

Mandatory cancellation, response within time limit and content of response, obtaining more time after that, obtain convictions record from the Department of Corrective Services

Presented by **Simon Jeans**, Principal, *Jeans Lawyers*; Accredited Specialist in Immigration Law; *Best Lawyers 2024*, Immigration Law

JUDICIAL REVIEW CASES THAT AFFECT YOUR PRACTICE AND WHY

- A roundup of significant migration decisions from the past year
- Analysis of decisionmakers' obligations

Presented by **Nicholas Poynder**, and **Chris Honnery**, Barristers, *Frederick Jordan Chambers*

BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD IN S 501 MATTERS: ADVOCACY BEFORE THE ART AND THE FEDERAL COURT

- Preparing evidence and children providing evidence age in age-appropriate manner
- The impact of ART proceedings on children and the impact of culture
- Addressing the best interests of children with specific needs
- Providing submissions to the ART addressing the best interests of the child
- Jurisdictional errors and interesting areas of law relating to best interests of the child
- Persuading the Court that the Tribunal has fallen into jurisdictional error

Presented by **Sean Kikkert**, Barrister, *Jessie Street Chambers (SA)*, List S (VIC)

MARA APPROVAL NUMBERS

Session 1: Face to Face & Live Online – 2 POINTS (CN182)
On Demand – 2 POINTS (DN508)

Session 2: Face to Face & Live Online – 1 POINT MANDATORY ETHICS
(M1B10058)

On Demand – 1 POINT (M1B10059)

Session 3: Face to Face & Live Online – 2 POINTS (CN184)
On Demand – 2 POINTS (DN509)

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TRAFFIC LAW FORUM



SPORTS LAW: RIGHT, RESPONSIBILITIES & MORE

FRIDAY, 21 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

\$505
253N34

Navigate through the essentials of traffic law matters from the practical strategic concerns in client management that is crucial for your practice through to a technical understanding of toxicology with expert forensic toxicologists. You will gain guidance on the major offences, an examination of the leading cases, unpack the use of section 14, *Mental Health Act* applications and alternative approaches for defences. The all-important essentials for a traffic law practice.

Chair: **Maria Walz**, Principal, Maria Walz Law, Accredited Specialist in Criminal Law, *Doyle's Guide Recommended Traffic & DUI Lawyers 2024*

BACK TO BASICS OR NOT SO BASIC?

- Key things you must be able to advise clients on if you are practicing in traffic law
- The most common questions (and where to find the answers)
- Understanding the legislative schemes
- Practical preparation and practice management for your matters

Presented by **Angela Cooney**, Consultant Solicitor; Accredited Specialist in Criminal Law, Recommended Traffic & DUI Lawyers, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

EXPLORING SERIOUS TRAFFIC OFFENCES

- The major offences
- Leading cases
- Applications for your practice

Presented by **Andrew Tiedt**, Director, J Sutton Associates, Accredited Specialist in Criminal Law; Leading lawyer, Traffic and Criminal Law, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

SECTION 14, MENTAL HEALTH ACT AND TRAFFIC OFFENCES

- Section 14: an overview
- Pointers for successful Section 14 Applications
- Utility of Section 14 for traffic lawyers
- Alternative approaches

Presented by **Jonathon Taylor**, Barrister, Trust Chambers

✓ *Professional Skills*

THE EFFECTIVE USE OF EXPERT TOXICOLOGY REPORTS IN DRUG AND ALCOHOL-RELATED TRAFFIC CASES

Join Dr Michael Robertson, as he guides you through the effective use of expert toxicology reports in drug and alcohol-related traffic cases. With practical examples, he will illustrate the types of reports that can be prepared to assist in traffic matters drawing on his expertise as a Consulting Pharmacologist and Forensic Toxicologist.

Presented by **Dr Michael Robertson**, Director and Clinical Consultant, IFC Forensics

FRIDAY, 21 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

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WEB253N32

Dive into the latest discussions on sports law and its impact on athletes and organisations. Delve into critical issues such as the participation of men in women's sport including relevant legal frameworks and case law. Learn about the complexities of engaging athletes as brand ambassadors, covering brand protection and compliance with the *Fair Work Act*. Address athlete rights and responsibilities in a global context and examine competition law within commercial sporting environments and the ripple effect of recent international cases. This event promises invaluable insights for both legal professionals and industry members of the sports sector.

Chair: **Marianne Barker**, Barrister, Owen Dixon Chambers West

ENGAGING ATHLETES AS BRAND AMBASSADORS

- Protecting your brand reputation
- Issues arising out of competition and consumer law: exclusivity and misleading conduct
- Intellectual property considerations and requirements
- Compliance with new *Fair Work Act* requirements and ever-changing industry codes of conduct

Presented by **Calli Tshipidis Legal Counsel**, Foxtel Group and **Chris Hill**, Principal, On Side Law

ATHLETE'S RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN A GLOBALISED SPORTS ENVIRONMENT

- How integrity and leadership influence the preparation for major global events like the Olympics, are Olympics a right or a privilege
- Legal considerations and frameworks unique to international, multi-sport competitions
- Legal frameworks supporting athletes' mental health and well-being, including the duty of care obligations of sports organisations

Presented by **Brownwen Knox OLY GAICD**, Lawyer, Consultant and Coach, Deputy Chef de Mission (Australian Olympic Team 2024)

MEN IN WOMEN'S SPORT

- Background to the issue
- Relevant provisions of the *Sex Discrimination Act 1984* (Cth)
- Relevant international and domestic instruments
- Relevant case law

Presented by **Bridie Nolan**, Barrister & Arbitrator, 12 Wentworth Selborne Chambers

COMPETITION LAW IN COMMERCIAL SPORTING COMPETITION

- Permissible and impermissible exercises of rule-making power in the competition law context
- Formation, structure and operation of sports leagues, and the scheduling and conduct of competition
- Labour market practices, including 'no poach' agreements and transfer systems
- Lessons from recent international cases

Presented by **Elle Nikou Madalin**, Barrister & Arbitrator, Victorian Bar - List G Barristers

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LIQUOR AND GAMING REGULATION NSW

FRIDAY, 21 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$420
253N35

Join with your colleagues for a pivotal conference on liquor and gaming regulation in NSW, under the esteemed chairmanship of Judge Gillian Eldershaw. Legal luminaries and industry and association experts in liquor and gaming will present critical updates on compliance standards noise management, and advancements in responsible gaming. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with key stakeholders and deepen your knowledge of current regulatory developments.

Chair: **Judge Gillian Eldershaw**, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia

IN CONVERSATION: LIQUOR LICENSING LAW IN NSW

Join Tony Schwartz and Bruce Bulford as they share their extensive expertise in liquor licensing law, drawing on decades of experience to navigate the intricacies of the industry.

Panel Members:

Tony Schwartz, Principal, BSV Liquor & Gaming Lawyers

Bruce Bulford, Principal, Bulford Legal

REGULATOR UPDATE: NEW REQUIREMENTS AND REGULATION IN LIQUOR & GAMING NSW

- New Liquor and Gaming requirements
- Approach to noise regulation since Vibrancy Tranche 1
- Liquor & Gaming NSW approach to enforcing compliance with new requirements
- Changes to enforcement powers and how these are being used in practice

Presented by **Jane Lin**, Executive Director, Liquor & Gaming NSW

DEVELOPMENTS IN REGULATION OF THE CLUB AND PUB EGM SPACE IN NSW

- Changes in language being used by regulators around problem gambling
- Rollout of gaming plans of management
- Advanced RCG for responsible gaming officers
- Emerging RG obligation trends being imposed by regulators

Presented by **Leigh Barrett**, Principal, Leigh Barrett and Associates

NOISE COMPLAINT APPLICATIONS AND PROSECUTORIAL CASE REVIEW

- New management of noise and disturbance complaints under the *Liquor Act*
- Whether the LA10 is still a valid tool for the measurement of sound from licensed premises
- Liquor licensing prosecutions review

Presented by **John Green**, Director, Liquor and Policing, Australian Hotels Association (NSW) and **Kenneth Yardy**, Special Counsel, Australian Hotels Association (NSW)



PLAIN ENGLISH LEGAL WRITING WORKSHOP: CLEAR, CONCISE AND PERSUASIVE WRITING

FRIDAY, 21 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 11.00AM

\$305
253V24

As a lawyer, your ability to communicate with the written word is the key to your success. Join a practical skills-based session, led by a renowned expert in legal writing. In this interactive workshop, you will explore a range of best practice writing principles (and some "worst practice" ones as well!) to help ensure your documents — memoranda, reports, submissions, correspondence, emails, advices are models of clarity, persuasion and conciseness.

THE LAWYER AS A PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATOR: TIPS ON CLEAR, CONCISE, PERSUASIVE AND READER- FOCUSED WRITING

An American legal scholar once unkindly observed that there are only two things wrong with most legal writing: one is its style; the other is its content. This workshop will give you the strong legal writing style that you need in your practice.

It does reinforce the key point that writing — indeed, strong writing — is a fundamental skill required of all lawyers.

In this interactive workshop, you will explore a range of best practice writing principles (and some "worst practice" ones as well!) to help ensure your documents — memoranda, reports, submissions, correspondence, emails, advices, whatever — are models of clarity, persuasion and conciseness. In the session you will explore:

- ✓ *The classical legal writing style: what it looks like, and why it doesn't always work*
- ✓ *Plain English writing for lawyers: what it is, and what it isn't*
- ✓ *The professional legal writing voice: myths and realities*
- ✓ *An international standard on plain language — including a soon-to-be-released standard on legal writing*
- ✓ *Email writing: the special challenges*
- ✓ *Clarity in advice writing: an ethical requirement*
- ✓ *Words, sentences and paragraphs: tips and techniques, including writing for persuasion*
- ✓ *Grammar and punctuation: problem areas for lawyers*

Presented by **Bob Milstein**, Principal, Milstein and Associates; Principal, Words and Beyond

BOB MILSTEIN

Bob Milstein is a practising lawyer, specialising in health law and also a plain English trainer and document writer. His background in health law — and in particular health care liability litigation — initially sparked his interest in the importance of clear and reader-focused communications. Bob has been running clear writing/plain English training for more than 18 years, and in that time has provided a range of training services to law firms, regulators, government, business, insurers, tribunals and researchers.



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2 CPD UNITS

- 2 CPD units in Professional Skills



GUIDE TO BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURES AND PRACTICAL SKILLS



NAVIGATING FINANCIAL REGULATION COMPLIANCE, CHALLENGES AND RISKS

FRIDAY, 21 MARCH 2025
1.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$505
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Join an essential and comprehensive guide to bankruptcy procedures, featuring insights from the Judicial Registrar of the Federal Court of Australia, a Trustee in Bankruptcy, and leading insolvency experts. Gain insights into applications to set aside bankruptcy notices, managing creditors' petitions, and practical considerations in these processes. You will also cover post-bankruptcy actions, trustee limitations, and recent case updates, legislative amendments and reforms, along with tips for navigating the electronic platform.

Chair: **Simon Rubenstein**, Barrister, Greens List; Leading Insolvency & Restructuring Junior Counsel and Leading Commercial Litigation & dispute Resolution Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

VIEW FROM THE BENCH

✓ Professional Skills

APPLICATIONS TO SET ASIDE BANKRUPTCY NOTICE AND HEARING OF CREDITORS' PETITIONS

Presented by **Judicial Registrar Amelia Edwards**, Federal Court of Australia

✓ Professional Skills

OTHER PRACTICAL ISSUES FOR APPLICATIONS AND CREDITORS PETITIONS: TIPS AND TRAPS

- What is necessary for application for substituted service: evidence required
- Potential defences the debtor can argue and recent cases
 - › Defences made before the orders are made
 - › Defences made post the order of Bankruptcy has been made
- Recent case review and current interpretation of the *Bankruptcy Act* and regulations
- Examples

Presented by **John Dunne**, Principal, John Dunne & Associates

✓ Professional Skills

POST BANKRUPTCY: WHAT HAPPENS NEXT? WHAT CAN THE TRUSTEE DO AND NOT DO

- Dealing with the Trustee in Bankruptcy
- Powers of a Trustee to claw back preferential payments and dispositions of property to defeat the creditors and general administration of bankruptcy

Presented by **Ivan Glavas**, Partner, Official Liquidator and Registered Trustee, Worrells Solvency & Forensic Accountants

CURRENT CASE OVERVIEW, CURRENT AND PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE REFORMS AND TIPS IN NAVIGATING THE ELECTRONIC PLATFORM

- Current case update
- Review of current and proposed legislative changes
- Tips and traps when dealing with electronic filing and management of proceedings

Presented by **John Dunne**, Principal, John Dunne & Associates and **Ivan Glavas**, Partner, Official Liquidator and Registered Trustee, Worrells Solvency & Forensic Accountants

TUESDAY, 18 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM

\$505
WEB253N51

Are you prepared for the regulatory changes and challenges in financial services? Receive key insights into regulation and recovery of cryptocurrency, operational risk and management relating to the new Prudential Standard CPS230, the challenges of AML/CTF compliance including the anticipated Tranche 2 reforms and the latest on the implications of payment systems regulation. Gain a clear understanding of the legal issues in regulation of scams against bank customers helping you navigate the challenges.

Chair: **Alice Molan**, Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills

CRYPTOCURRENCY: REGULATION AND RECOVERY

- Cryptocurrency as an asset class
- Common legal issues in understanding cryptocurrency
- How to recover cryptocurrency losses
- The regulators' response to cryptocurrency
- The response of international courts to claims arising from cryptocurrency losses
- Lessons for enforcement and recovery action in Australia

Presented by **Stephen Ipp**, Barrister, Greenway Chambers; *The Best Lawyers in Australia 2025* for Banking and Finance

PAYMENT SYSTEMS REGULATION

- The latest updates and amendments to payment systems regulation, and their impact on your practice
- Recent cases involving reporting and auditing
- Regulatory compliance in payment systems

Presented by **Steven Klimt**, Partner, Clayton Utz

SCAMS AGAINST BANK CUSTOMERS: WHERE TO NOW?

Examine the salient recent developments and discussions regarding scams against bank customers, and provide an outlook of where the future may take us

Presented by **Frank Tao**, Barrister, 9 Selborne; Recognised in *Best Lawyers in Australia 2025* for Insolvency and Reorganisation Law

NAVIGATING CHALLENGES WITH THE NEW PRUDENTIAL STANDARD CPS230: OPERATIONAL RISK MANAGEMENT

- Prudential Standards: quick recap on the underpinning legal framework
- CPS 230:
 - › objectives and general requirements
 - › the contractual stuff and practical suggestions

Presented by **Marcelo de Farias**, Acting Head of Legal, Auto & General Insurance

AML/CTF TRANCHE 2 REFORMS: ARE THEY FINALLY HERE?

- Current status and timeline
- How these reforms will affect you
- Preparing for compliance
- Operational changes

Presented by **Andrea Beatty**, Partner, Piper Alderman; Author of *Annotated National Credit Code*, the Australia chapters in *Consumer Finance Law Review* and the *Banking Regulation Review*

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COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT ESSENTIALS

MONDAY, 24 MARCH 2025
1.00PM TO 4.15PM

\$420
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Whether you are a legal professional or procurement officer, equip yourself with the tools and knowledge to drive best practice procurement and optimise your procurement processes while managing risks and liabilities. Understand the risks and issues that may arise with incumbent providers, unpack the theory and practical application of negotiation in Commonwealth procurement, and review the debarment regimes and tips on choosing the right evaluation criteria when assessing tenders to achieve a value for money outcome.

Chair: **Philippe Lambert**, Principal Consultant, Lambert & Co

THE TYRANNY OF INCUMBENCY – DOES FAMILIARITY BREED CONTEMPT

- Incumbency in tendering
- What is the issue with incumbents and is it really an advantage?
- Early identification and procurement planning
- Can an entity engaged to assist with an early stage: bid for the main procurement
- Intellectual property issues with incumbent contractors: who owns what
- Extensions and variations under the procurement rules
- Other issues:
 - › Data rooms and data room access agreements
 - › Deeds of confidentiality
 - › Transition in/ transition out

Presented by **Scott Alden**, Partner, Mills Oakley

✓ Professional Skills

NEGOTIATION: THEORY AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION IN COMMONWEALTH PROCUREMENT

- Negotiation theory: positional bargaining versus principled negotiation
- Practical application: negotiations in a Commonwealth procurement policy context
- Lessons learned and practical examples

Presented by **Rory Alexander**, Partner, Aldermane; and **James Evans**, Associate, Aldermane

THE DEBARMENT REGIMES IN PROCUREMENT: HOW THEY WORK AND CHOOSING THE RIGHT EVALUATION CRITERIA

In conducting any procurement you are seeking a value for money outcome. To achieve this you need to select the right evaluation criteria.

- Commonwealth/State/Territory policy mandatory pass/fail criteria
- Relevant debarment regime
- Customer essential pass/fail criteria
- Appropriate evaluation criteria to rank tenderers with a view to achieving value for money
- Consideration of technical criteria
- Consideration of financial criteria
- Consideration of risk
- Putting the pieces together
- Mitigating a challenge from a disgruntled tenderer.

Presented by **Alexandra Wedutenko**, Partner, Sparke Helmore Lawyers



PRESSING REGULATORY ISSUES AND DISPUTES IN AUSTRALIAN AGRIBUSINESS

MONDAY, 24 MARCH 2025
1.00PM TO 4.15PM

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Tailored for both AgriBusiness general counsel and those advising, you will examine the regulatory concerns in AgriBusiness. Ensure your best PPS position for both domestic and international transactions. Navigate regulatory compliance concerns to ensure your sustainability credentials are not at risk and understand the ACCC's enforcement priorities and current prohibitions. Gain expert guidance on strategies to deal with contract disputes in AgriBusiness.

Chair: **Brian Healey**, Partner, K&L Gates; Preeminent AgriBusiness Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

CONTRACTS DISPUTES IN AGRIBUSINESS

- AgriBusiness disputes in arbitration and the courts
- Expert determinations
- Key issues for AgriBusiness disputes and recent developments and cases

Presented by **Christiana McCudden**, Special Counsel, Gilbert + Tobin; Recognised for Alternative Dispute Resolution, *Best Lawyers 2025*

FINANCE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN: HOW CAN STAKEHOLDERS IN AGRIBUSINESS IMPROVE THEIR PPS POSITION WITH FINANCIERS

- Export and import of goods – navigating international PPS compliance
- Common supply chain issues
- Examining case decisions: Carpenter International and Willmott Forests

Presented by **Peter Mills**, Principal Consultant, Keypoint Law

HOW TO BE CONFIDENT IN PROMOTING THE SUSTAINABILITY CREDENTIALS OF YOUR AGRIBUSINESS

- What regulatory and market drivers on food retail lead to pressure on AgriBusinesses upstream?
- How has the ACCC's greenwashing campaign impacted on AgriBusinesses?
- Do regulatory guidance and industry best practices tell you where the finish line is in substantiating your claims?
- How to mitigate legal risks in marketing your sustainability credentials?

Presented by **Charles Fisher**, Principal Solicitor, KHQ Lawyers; Recommended Lawyer, Competition & Trade, *Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2023*

ACCC: A YEAR IN REVIEW

- Outcome of the Supermarket Inquiry
- Understanding the enforcement priorities in the supermarket sector
- Threshold merger review
- Prohibition of unfair trading practices

Presented by **Laura Hartley**, Partner, Addisons; *Best Lawyers in Australia 2025* for Commercial Law *Best Lawyers in Australia*

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THE CHANGING FACE OF TOTAL AND PERMANENT DISABILITY CLAIMS: DISPUTES, COMPLAINTS AND CLAIMS

TUESDAY, 25 MARCH 2025
9.00AM - 1.15PM

\$505
253N38

While the definition of total and permanent disability has not changed in 30 or 40 years, the nature of underlying causes of disability has changed. Focus on the current state of the law and practice, examine procedural fairness in TPD claims and gain insights from an examination of trustee obligations to vulnerable claimants and access to justice.

Chair: **Stephen Walsh**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers

PROCEDURAL FAIRNESS

- Practical guidance when responding to a procedural fairness letter in the context of a TPD claim
- The insurer's decision
- Reconsideration requests

Presented by **Adrian Coombes**, Barrister, Seven Windeyer Chambers

VULNERABLE CLAIMANTS – CHALLENGES FOR TRUSTEES AND THEIR MEMBERS: IN CONVERSATION

- Challenges for vulnerable claimants:
 - › Understanding the claims process
 - › Communicating with vulnerable clients
 - › Information gap in claim assessment
 - › Finalisation of claim
- Issues for trustees:
 - › Insurers and legal representative: what are trustee duties?
 - › How is it different to insurer obligations?
 - › What are the practical implications for vulnerable claimants?
- Best practice and case studies: trauma-informed approach, fair approach and fair outcome

Presented by **David Coorey**, Special Counsel, Carrol and O'Dea

CASE UPDATE

Embark on a tour of recent and topical judgments considering life insurance disputes and a discussion about how these may be applied in practice.

Presented by **Craig Parrish**, Principal Lawyer & State Litigation Leader (NSW & SA), Maurice Blackburn Lawyers

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HOW A TYPICAL TPD CLAIMANT SAVED OVER \$50,000 IN TAX AND BENEFITS

- Superannuation TPD claims and tax treatment
- Financial impacts to Centrelink, child support, family tax benefits, HECS debts, Medicare etc
- Income protection, litigated insurance & common law settlements & financial implications
- Better financial outcomes

Presented by **Andrew Reynolds**, Principal Adviser, EFS Advice



ADVERTISING AND MARKETING PRACTICES: THE LEGAL CONCERNS

TUESDAY, 25 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$420
WEB253N39

Enforcement of advertising and marketing breaches is on the rise. Join us for a conference focused on essential topics including recent ACCC enforcement actions, greenwashing risks and liabilities, and navigating intellectual property issues in advertising. Gain insights into current regulatory trends and learn practical tips for risk management. Explore the impact of AI tools on marketing strategies and customer engagement. This event is a valuable opportunity to deepen your understanding of the evolving legal landscape in advertising and marketing law.

Chair: **Shaun Miller**, Principal, Shaun Miller Lawyers

RECENT LEARNINGS FROM THE ACCC INSIDE AND OUTSIDE THE COURTROOM: ADVERTISING, MARKETING AND THE REGULATOR

- Current key focus areas of ACCC
- Recap of the regulatory regime and penalties
- An examination of recent enforcement action and court action taken by the ACCC, including in respect of:
 - › Misleading pricing claims
 - › Unfair contract terms
 - › Issues relating to digital platforms

Presented by **Sarah Butler**, Special Counsel, Holding Redlich

GREENWASHING ADVERTISING RISKS: CURRENT POSITION AND KEY CLIENT TAKEAWAYS

- What is greenwashing?
- Greenwashing liability risks: key prohibitions under Australian Consumer Law and maximum money penalties
- Recent trends and regulatory guidance; greenwashing enforcement action
- Greenwashing risk management tips

Presented by **Odette Gourley**, Partner, Corrs Chambers Westgarth; Leading Individual – Intellectual Property, Legal 500 Asia-Pacific

ADVERTISING AND MARKETING: HOT TOPICS, TIPS AND TRAPS

- Navigating IP risks in advertising and marketing
- Overview of recent advertising/consumer law cases
- Other trends and issues including online marketing and privacy

Presented by **Alison Jones**, Special Counsel, Corrs Chambers Westgarth

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MARKETING TRENDS FOR ADVERTISING AND MARKETING LAWYERS TO UNDERSTAND – AI AGENTS, AVATARS AND AI COMPANIONS

- 70% of the Customer Journey is completed before reaching out to a vendor - how is that data being used?
- The good, the bad and the ugly of AI in practice
- Impact of new tools like AI forecasting, Predictive Lead Scoring, Customer Platforms and Prospect Intent

Presented by **Tony Eades CSP**, Co-Founder/Chief Strategy Officer, Salted Stone

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**'HOW TO SKILLS' DRAFTING FOR LITIGATORS**TUESDAY, 25 MARCH 2025
9.00AM - 1.15PM**\$505**
WEB253N40

Struggling with drafting initiating documents, defences, or affidavits? This essential seminar is here to solve that problem. Learn to draft effective, bulletproof pleadings, particulars, and defences that avoid common pitfalls and stand up to scrutiny—keeping you out of costly interlocutory battles. Gain valuable tips and insights to improve your documents immediately. Master affidavit drafting, and create instruction letters that set your experts up for success. This is a must-attend seminar for anyone aiming to strengthen the clarity, precision, and impact of their legal drafting.

Chair **Stephen Owen-Conway KC**, Sir Lawrence Jackson Chambers✓ *Professional Skills***PLEADINGS AND PARTICULARS: INSIGHTS ON DRAFTING THEM EFFECTIVELY**Presented by **Wai Kaey Soon**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers✓ *Professional Skills***DRAFTING DEFENCES IN CIVIL & COMMERCIAL MATTERS**

- The function of a defence
- General pleadings protocols and rules as they apply to defences
- Bare defences and the surprise rule
- Admissions, non-admission (deemed admissions) and denials
- Alternative defences

Presented by **Robert French**, Barrister, Francis Burt Chambers✓ *Professional Skills***'HOW TO' DRAFT AFFIDAVITS**

- Practical tips for preparing affidavits
- Common admissibility issues
- Evidence of speech in affidavits: recent judicial observations
- Making affidavits more persuasive

Presented by **Thomas Bagley**, Barrister, Ninth Floor Selborne Chambers✓ *Professional Skills***'HOW TO' DRAFT LETTER OF INSTRUCTION AND HOW TO HELP YOUR EXPERT FORMAT THEIR REPORT**Presented by **Philippe Doyle Gray**, Barrister, 8 Wentworth Chambers**FRANCHISING CODE OF CONDUCT: BIG CHANGES IN 2025**TUESDAY, 25 MARCH 2025
9.00AM - 11.15AM**\$305**
WEB253N41

On 1 April 2025, the Franchising Code of Conduct will sunset if not remade.

A comprehensive review of the Code was undertaken in 2023, making 23 recommendations for change. In response, the Government has moved to implement a new Code, adopting 11 of these recommendations. The new Code keeps the same structure as the previous Code, but substantially re-writes (and re-numbers) many of its provisions.

Franchisors will welcome many changes, including simplified disclosure obligations, strengthened termination rights for serious breach, and "opt-out provisions" and removing regulatory requirements for renewing franchises.

Franchisees will welcome a new right to have a reasonable opportunity to make a return on their investment during the term of the agreement, a broader prohibition against restraints of trade in certain circumstances, an expanded right of compensation for early termination, expansion of disclosure obligations concerning "marketing funds" to apply to any "special purpose funds", a revised definition of "motor vehicle dealership", increased financial penalties for breach, and a new right for the Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman to "name and shame" franchisors who have not participated meaningfully in ADR.

These are significant forms which it will be important for all practitioners dealing with the franchise sector to understand.

Chair **Derek Minus**, Barrister, Mediation & Arbitration Chambers**SESSION 1: FRANCHISING CODE OF CONDUCT – EXPLAINED**

In this session, our panel of experts, will provide a comprehensive overview of the recent changes to the Franchising Code of Conduct. They will break down the key amendments and explain their implications for both franchisors and franchisees.

Panelists

Josh Simons, Partner, Thomson Geer**Elizabeth Gore Jones**, Founding Partner, The Franchise & Business Lawyers**Simone Pentis**, Managing Partner, Advantage Partners Lawyers**SESSION 2: PREPARING FOR MEDIATION IN FRANCHISE DISPUTES**

Dr Johnson will address the mental health impact of franchise disputes on all parties, franchisees, franchisors, and lawyers when conflicting "truths" arise in franchise agreements.

This session will explore how assumptions, often mistaken for facts, lead to unmet expectations and mutual blame that escalate disputes.

Katherine will discuss how mediation, as opposed to litigation, can empower each party by untangling perspectives and fostering understanding. Despite changes to the Franchising Code of Conduct, these core issues remain central to franchise disputes, making mediation a constructive approach to resolution.

Presented by **Dr Katherine Johnson**, Director, Unilegal Consulting**GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR CPD HOURS!**

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FAMILY LAW PARENTING SYMPOSIUM

WEDNESDAY, 26 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795
WEB253N43

Gain valuable insights into key topics shaping family law parenting matters. Examine recent reforms one year on with a focus on safety and Rice & Asplund codification, unpack the complexities and risks of parental alienation, and assess the impact of new amendments to the Hague Child Abduction Convention regulations. Gain valuable insights from the latest case updates and understand the influence of parental mental health on parenting capacity from an adolescent and family psychiatrist. Finally, tailored for family law practitioners, gain essential practical guidance on managing urgent parental applications, meeting ethical obligations in family law parenting matters, and tips for sustaining a thriving family law practice and cover off your ethics, professional skills and practice management.

SESSION 1: REFORMS, AMENDMENTS & CASE UPDATE, ALIENATION AND CAPACITY

9.00AM TO 1.15PM WEB253N43A

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Chair: **Carly Mirza-Price**, Partner, Mills Oakley; Recommended Parenting & Children's Matters Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

PARENTAL ALIENATION: WHAT IS IT? DOES IT REPRESENT AN UNACCEPTABLE RISK

- How to deal with the situation when there was abuse
- How to deal with the situation when no abuse but the child is told that there is

Presented by **Neil Jackson**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers

NEW REFORMS 'ONE YEAR ON': SAFETY AND CODIFICATION OF RICE & ASPLUND

- Interpretation of the 'Best Interests' test
- Statutory iteration of the *Rice vs Asplund* principle vs how it's being interpreted by the courts: Whitehill & Talaska; Rasheem & Rasheem
- The Role of the Independent Children's Lawyer in light of the recent changes to the *Family Law Act*

Presented by **Karen Shea**, Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers; Leading Junior Counsel, Parenting & Children's Matters Barrister, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

WILL THE AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS REGARDING THE HAGUE CHILD ABDUCTION CONVENTION MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE?

- The provision of free legal representation for the 'abducting parent'
- The requirement to consider 'family violence' in any defence to a Return Application
- Recent court decisions since the amendments

Presented by **Maurice Edwards**, Special Counsel, Rafton Family Lawyers; Recommended Family Law Mediator, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

RECENT CASE UPDATE

- How is the Court approaching coercive control?
- Harmful proceedings: the new vexatious
- Insight – what does it look like?

Presented by **Kylie Chesterman**, Barrister, Level 14 Inns of Court Chambers; Recommended Family Law Junior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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THE INTERFACE BETWEEN PARENTAL MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND PARENTING CAPACITY

- Consider the impact of developmental experiences in parent's family of origin and personality vulnerabilities on parenting capacity independent of diagnosis
- Diagnostic categories, and the place of therapeutic intervention
- considered in this context the impact of parental mental illness on parenting capacity

Presented by **Dr Antony Milch**, Child, Adolescent and Family Psychiatrist, Family in Mind

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR FAMILY LAWYERS (PARENTING)

2.00PM TO 5.15PM WEB253N43B

\$420

Chair: **Susan Warda**, Partner, Mills Oakley; Recommended Family & Divorce Lawyer and Recommended Family Lawyers (High-Value & Complex Property Matters), *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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RUNNING URGENT PARENTING APPLICATIONS

- Factors that may make a parenting application urgent
- Pre-action procedures
- To serve or not
- Convincing the court
- Managing client expectations

Presented by **Dianne Pendergast**, Barrister, Brisbane Chambers; Recommended Parenting & Children's Matters Junior Barrister, and Recommended Family Law Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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NAVIGATING ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS IN FAMILY LAW PARENTING MATTERS

- Refresher on obligations pursuant to the Solicitors Conduct Rules and Family Law Rules
- Communicating with clients, experts, Court, third parties
- Conflicts
- Disclosure
- Secret recordings
- When clients go rogue including dealing with illegally obtained 'evidence'

Presented by **Tijana Petkovic**, Director, Blanchfield Nicholls

✓ *Practice Management & Business Skills*

DEALING WITH THE PRACTICAL IMPACTS OF RUNNING A BUSY FAMILY LAW PARENTING PRACTICE

- Managing escalating practice costs and client expectations
- Managing lawyer burnout and mental health
- Knowing when and how to draw boundaries with clients
- Family law violence
- Court delays and deadlines

Presented by **Kuppy Nambiar**, Director, Nambiar Hogg Family Lawyers; Recommended Parenting & Children's Matters Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

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COMMERCIAL LITIGATION CONFERENCE

WEDNESDAY, 26 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 5.15PM

\$795
WEB253N46

Do you need a quick roundup of the key issues in commercial litigation currently? Do you need your ethics, practice management and professional skills points but want them truly tailored for your commercial litigation practice? The Commercial Litigation Conference has just that for you. You will delve into challenging authority, gain an expert roundup of enforcing contracts including unfair contracts, unsigned contracts, examine misuse of intellectual property and breach of restraint of trade claims, plus explore enforcement of privacy breaches and insolvency matters. Gain practical strategies for drafting pleadings and leveraging AI for an efficient practice. All from expert commercial litigators with experience and expertise to share.

SESSION 1: YOUR ANNUAL UPDATE ON IMPORTANT AREAS OF COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

9.00AM TO 1.15PM WEB253N46A

\$505

Chair: **Trevor Withane**, Partner, Ironbridge Legal

CHALLENGING AUTHORITY: A REVIEW OF THE LAW OF AUTHORITY

- Actual / Express / Apparent / Ostensible
- Principal / Agent
- Authority to act for a corporation (including indoor management rule)
- Breach of warranty of authority

Presented by **Greg Smart**, Partner, Wallace & Wallace Lawyers; Accredited Specialist Commercial Litigation

CONTRACT LAW: ENFORCING AGREEMENTS UPDATE

- Formation
- Legislative intervention in relation to unfair contract terms
- Penalties
- Remedies

Presented by **Robert Carey**, Barrister, 7 Wentworth Selborne

COMPETITION LAW UPDATE: MISUSE OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND BREACH OF RESTRAINT OF TRADE

Explore the intersection between intellectual property misuse and restraints of trade (RoTs), gain practical insights into protecting business interests while navigating legal boundaries.

- Protecting IP through RoTs: how confidential information, trademarks, patents, and copyrights align with enforceable restraints
- Reasonable restraints: defining acceptable time and geographic limits versus overreaching constraints
- Drafting resilient RoTs: practical tips to ensure enforceability, and when courts might read them down
- Impugning RoTs: strategies to challenge unreasonable restraints in court
- Business sales vs employment contexts: comparing RoTs for established businesses versus departing employees

Presented by **Sydney Jacobs**, Barrister, 13 Wentworth Chambers

A NEW ERA OF PRIVACY REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT

- Brief overview of privacy laws affecting businesses
- Stronger penalties and increased risk for businesses
- Enhanced powers for the OAIC
- Rights to seek compensation

Presented by **Edward Martin**, Partner, Gadens

INSOLVENCY UPDATE

Presented by **Colin Brown**, Special Counsel, Bridge Lawyers

SESSION 2: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR COMMERCIAL LITIGATORS

2.00PM TO 5.15PM WEB253N46A

\$420

Chair: **Sarah Davies**, Director, Sarah Davies Legal; Accredited Specialist in Commercial Litigation

✓ *Ethics & Professional Responsibility*

KNOWING YOUR ETHICAL BOUNDARIES IN A DISPUTES PRACTICE

A number of common situations in everyday legal practice can be negotiated safely with a confident understanding of ethical obligations.

- Confidentiality and privilege: principles, limitations and waiver
- Conflicts
- Undertakings
- Ex parte applications

Presented by **Nola Peace**, Barrister, Chambers 33

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'HOW TO' TACTICAL PLEADING AND STRIKE-OUT PROOFING YOUR CASE

- Tips to reduce the risk of a pleading being struck out or challenged
- The proper pleading of knowledge, inferences and causation
- The role of pleadings as the foundation of the case theory at trial

Presented by **Matthew Jones KC**, Barrister, Level Twenty Seven Chambers

✓ *Practice Management and Business Skills*

LEVERAGING AI AND OTHER TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE EFFICIENCY, MANAGE RISK AND REDUCE LITIGATION STRESS

This session showcases AI tools that will streamline case preparation by automating production of chronologies, summarising documents and extracting relevant details quickly. Learn how to evaluate which of the available tools is best place to help your practice being more efficient and more profitable.

Presented by **Fiona McLay**, Principal Lawyer, McLay Legal



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SPACE LAW



CORPORATE INSOLVENCY CRITICAL ISSUES AND UPDATES

MONDAY, 25 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$420
WEB253N42

Come to an illuminating conference on space law – chaired by Dr Joel Lisk, Lecturer in Space Law at Flinders University. Delve into the significance of space for Australia with Prof. Steven Freeland, who will explore the international framework governing space activities and future challenges. Donna Lawler of Azimuth Advisory will discuss the nuances of commercial space transactions and the unique considerations that drive them. Finally, Dr Stefan Paterson will examine the intersection of space law and intellectual property, providing strategies for protecting space technology. This event is a must for anyone interested in the dynamic field of space law and its real-world implications. Secure your place today.

Chair: **Dr Joel Lisk**, Lecturer in Space Law, Flinders University

THE WONDERS OF SPACE LAW: HOW IT IMPACTS YOU EVERY DAY

- Why space is important for Australia and Australians
- An outline of the international framework for space activities
- The implementation of international law into Australia's national space legislation
- Challenges for future space governance

Presented by **Em. Prof. Steven Freeland**, Emeritus Professor, Western Sydney University and Bond University

COMMERCIAL SPACE TRANSACTIONS: UNLEARNING TERRESTRIAL HABITS

- Why scarcity of insurance drives everything
- Buying and selling spacecraft
- Launching spacecraft

Presented by **Donna Lawler**, Principal, Azimuth Advisory

THE INTERSECTION OF SPACE LAW AND IP

- Understand how IP laws and space laws interact
- Issues with IP laws when looking to protect space technology
- Strategies to protect IP needs to consider entire commercial ecosystem

Presented by **Dr Stefan Paterson**, Principal, Integrated IP (IIP)

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THE ROLE OF COOPERATIVE RESEARCH CENTRES (CRC) IN SPACE LAW AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT

- A CRC as a platform to integrate policy design and industry needs (i.e. co-development of industry-driven policy outcomes)
- How a CRC enables thought-leadership projection re policy development (i.e. decadal approach to maturing a commercially relevant eco-system)
- CRCs as a funding mechanism for space law and policy development

Presented by **Prof. Anna Moore**, Director, ANU Institute for Space, and **Benjamin Bek**, Associate Director (Program Delivery and Operations), ANU Institute for Space, and Bid Chief Operating Officer, Future of Space Cooperative Research Centre



WEDNESDAY, 26 MARCH 2025
1.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$505
WEB253N44

Gain the confidence to handle corporate insolvency questions with insights from a panel of experienced barristers, solicitors, liquidators and insolvency professionals. In this comprehensive program you will cover every stage of navigating ATO Director Penalty Notices, safe harbour plans, small business restructuring and Deeds of Company Arrangements. Examine the courts' approach to interplay of insolvency and trusts, recent changes to the Peak Indebtedness Rule, and understanding voidable transactions in liquidations—essential insights for anyone at the crossroads of tax, restructuring, and insolvency law.

Chair: **Alice Ruhe**, Partner, SMB Advisory; Registered Trustee in Bankruptcy and Registered Liquidator

ATO DIRECTOR PENALTY NOTICE - WHAT HAPPENS NEXT - BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER

- What happens if you don't deal with a DPN in time
- What does it mean for directors personally
- What action can directors take to deal with post DPN personal debt
- Looking at the end game

Presented by **Alice Ruhe**, Partner, SMB Advisory; Registered Trustee in Bankruptcy and Registered Liquidator

SAFE HARBOUR PLANS, SMALL BUSINESS RESTRUCTURING VS DEED OF COMPANY ARRANGEMENTS

Presented **Aaron Lucan**, Principal, Western Sydney, Central West, Worrells; Registered Liquidator and Registered bankruptcy trustee

INTERPLAY WITH INSOLVENCY AND TRUSTS: STATE OF THE LAW

Consider the interplay of trusts under corporate insolvency law and explore whether recent decisions have shed any clarity on how they are to be treated in insolvency.

Presented by **Cynthia Cochrane SC** and **James Mack**, Barrister, Level 22 Chambers

PREFERENCES AND CHANGES TO THE PEAK INDEBTEDNESS RULE

- What is a voidable transaction and unfair preference claims in the context of liquidations
- Common defences to unfair preference claims
- What is the peak indebtedness rule?
- Key cases, including *Bryant v Badenoch Integrated Logging Pty Ltd* [2023] HCA 2

Presented by **Stipe Vuleta**, Managing Director and **Neil Bookseller**, Senior Associate, Chamberlains

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PERSONAL INJURIES: 3 STRATEGIES TO MAXIMISE DAMAGES

THURSDAY, 27 MARCH 2025
2.00PM TO 5.15PM

\$420
WEB253N48

If you missed out in August 2024, then this is your go-to seminar on damages in personal injury claims. Offering 3 up to the minute presentations by industry experts who will dissect a key area related to maximising the outcome of a personal injury claim. Explore the assessment of damages where the claimant is a child and delve into the various aspects of quantifying economic loss of a self-employed plaintiff. Finally, join Rob Taylor who will take you through the legal implications of claiming damages under different regimes in the one claim.

Chair: **Paul Blacket SC**, Sir James Hall Chambers

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CHILDREN WITH CATASTROPHIC INJURY CLAIMS: THE PIVOTAL ROLE OF THE OT REPORT IN QUANTIFYING DAMAGES

In cases where children have suffered a catastrophic injury, the OT report is central in the work of the lawyer building the claim for damages, in sourcing other opinions, costings from builders and other medical specialists. Examine:

- Assessment, with costings of care over and above that of a typically developing child
- Lifetime care
- Equipment
- Home modifications
- Impact on the family of supporting a child with catastrophic injuries

Presented by **Nancy Stephenson**, Consultant Occupational Therapist, Assess Medical Group

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ASSESSING ECONOMIC LOSS OF SELF-EMPLOYED PLAINTIFFS

- Loss of profits and/or replacement labour
- Impact of the sale of a business
- The premium for "entrepreneurship"
- Taxation issues

Presented by **Mariano Rossetto**, Director, Forensic & Litigation, Vincents

A DIFFERENT DRUMMER: CLAIMING DAMAGES UNDER DIFFERENT REGIMES IN THE ONE CLAIM

- Work injury damages and the intersection of public liability and motor accident regimes
- Might a workers compensation insurer pay motor accident damages?
- The classic case: a worker run over by a forklift at work

Presented by **Rob Taylor**, Barrister, Jack Shand Chambers



GOVERNMENT LITIGATION: A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO PREPARING AND MANAGING YOUR CASE

MONDAY, 3 MARCH 2025
1.00PM TO 4.15PM

\$420
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Enhance your expertise in key areas of government litigation skills. Gain comprehensive, practical insights and actionable strategies for tackling complex legal issues faced by government practitioners. Explore the challenges of legal professional privilege, public interest immunity, and Cabinet confidentiality. Gain valuable insights into the essential steps for preparing cases in Freedom of Information (FOI) and privacy matters. Master the art of drafting effective, admissible affidavits and witness statements together with the management of government deponents.

Chair: **Susan Anderson**, Barrister, Chambers 33

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UNDERSTANDING AND CLAIMING PRIVILEGES APPLICABLE TO GOVERNMENT LAWYERS

- Legal professional privilege for government
- Public interest immunity
- Cabinet in confidence

Presented by **Tom Egan**, Barrister, Greens List, Chancery Chambers

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PREPARING YOUR CASE IN FOI AND PRIVACY PROCEEDINGS

- What's required in the preliminary stages
- Preparation of evidence and legal submissions
- Dealing with self-represented litigants
- Differences between FOI and privacy cases

Presented by **Melanie Olynyk**, Partner, Maddocks

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AFFIDAVIT DRAFTING AND TAKING STATEMENTS: PRACTICAL TIPS FOR GOVERNMENT LAWYERS

- How to draft an admissible, persuasive and effective affidavit or witness statement
- Managing practical issues for government deponents
- Ethical considerations

Presented by **Tim Maybury**, Barrister, 6 St James Hall



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DIRECTOR DUTIES: LIABILITIES, PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT REALITIES

FRIDAY, 28 MARCH 2025
9.00AM TO 1.15PM AEST

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The risks are real, and for directors, “the buck stops here.” In this essential half day-session you will be guided by an experienced, expert panel through the necessary measures for risk identification and management of potential directors' liabilities relating to insolvent trading, tortious and ACL duties, and accessorial liability post-Wills.

Chair: **Temple Saville**, Barrister, Nationally Accredited Mediator, The Victorian Bar

HOW TO KEEP DIRECTORS OUT OF HOT WATER: REGULATORY ENFORCEMENT AND INVESTIGATIONS

- Regulatory enforcement priorities for 2025
- Regulatory investigations: recent cases and learnings
- Legal risk management

Presented by **Suzanne Howari**, Senior Associate, Brown Wright Stein Lawyers: Risk & Governance Specialist, Fellow of the Governance Institute of Australia

NAVIGATING THE NEW COMPLIANCE LANDSCAPE: LEGAL RISKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES POST-WILLS V ACCC

- What 'not to do' from a front end perspective
- Take a granular look at the actual facts, and what Wills did that rendered him liable
- Explore the reasoning of the Court, and how this might catch other Board room situations

Presented by **Rhys Williamson**, Special Counsel, Mahoneys

DUTY TO PREVENT INSOLVENT TRADING AND LIABILITIES

- Legal obligations under the Corporations Act
- Duties owed to creditors
- Defining insolvency and its indicators
- Indicators that directors must assess
- Civil and criminal liabilities for breaches of their duty to prevent insolvent trading
- Possible defences

Presented by **Mark D Martin KC**, Barrister-at -Law, Level 10 Inns of Court, Recommended Insolvency & Restructuring Senior Counsel, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

DIRECTORS' LIABILITY AND EXPOSURES: A PERSPECTIVE FROM A RESTRUCTURING SPECIALIST

- Personal liability of directors for unpaid company superannuation
- Breach of directors' duties
- Potential risks tied to personal guarantees
- Personal guarantees and their impact on family property under charging clauses
- Personal guarantees extended for building companies
- Director/shareholder loan accounts and their implications

Presented by **Dino Travaglini**, Director, Travaglini Corporate Advisory

DIRECTORS IN THE FIRING LINE: THE NEW ROADMAP FOR MAINTAINING THE VEIL

- Essential matters, factual evaluations, and normative judgments: When is ignorance bliss?
- Victory for the 'narrow' knowledge test: What does this mean for directors accused of being involved in unconscionable conduct, misleading or deceptive conduct, anti-competitive conduct, unlicensed credit activity, or continuous disclosure contraventions?
- The special case of unconscionable systems: What does this mean for director liability?
- What's at stake?

Presented by **Peter Travis**, Commercial Barrister and Mediator, Gibbs Chambers



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CLASS ACTIONS REFORMS, STRATEGIES AND CURRENT CHALLENGES

FRIDAY, 28 MARCH 2025
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With new reforms regarding funding and contingency fees, the landscape of class actions is changing. Address the pressing concerns in Australia's dynamic class actions market. Gain practical strategies from seasoned Plaintiff and Defendant lawyers providing crucial insights on how to navigate and avoid common procedural pitfalls from the initiation through to the case management of class actions. Examine shareholder and environmental class actions. Understand judicial review of approval of class actions as well as settlement approvals and fair and reasonable third-party litigation funding deductions. Understand common fund orders and examine contingency fee developments in addition to after the event insurance.

Chair: **Angela Pearsall**, Partner, Ashurst Australia

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PROCEDURAL TRAPS FROM COMMENCEMENT AND CARRIAGE OF CLASS ACTIONS

- Planning class action litigation from the start to ensure success
- Common traps in pleading
- 'The Beauty Parade': managing multiplicity of actions against the one defendant:
 - › How the courts are dealing with multiple plaintiffs and different jurisdictions
 - › How the courts can structure the trials
 - › Key pre-trial orders
- Dealing with key stakeholders: clients, insurers, media, group members, litigation funders, other parties
- Recent legislative developments and decisions

Facilitated by:

Angela Pearsall, Partner, Ashurst Australia

Panelists:

Odette McDonald, Director, Phi Finney McDonald

Nathan Rapoport, Practice Group Leader, Class Actions, Slater + Gordon Lawyers

Kione Johnson, Practice Leader, Class Actions, Shine Lawyers

CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT APPROVALS AND THIRD-PARTY LITIGATION FUNDING

- Observable trends in the exercise of judicial discretion to approve class action settlements
- Fair and reasonable deductions
 - › Legal costs
 - › After the event insurance
 - › Funding commissions
- Common Fund Orders, Group Costs Orders, and contingency fee arrangements

Presented by **Simon Morris**, Managing Partner, Morris Mennilli; Author, Australian chapters of *Litigation Funding - Getting the Deal Through and The Global Damages Review*

MARKET TRENDS OF CLASS ACTIONS IN AUSTRALIA & OVERSEAS

- Continued challenges for plaintiffs pursuing shareholder class actions in Australia
- The ongoing attractiveness of contingency fees and the beginning of Federal jurisdiction contingency fees
- The proliferation of plaintiff firms pursuing class actions in Australia and the increasing role of overseas actors in Australian class actions
- The drive toward data and environmental class actions globally

Presented by **Jason Betts**, Partner, Global Co-Head of Class Actions, Herbert Smith Freehills; Lawyers Weekly 2024 Class Actions Partner of the Year; Visitor to the University of Sydney Law School, teaching the post-graduate course “Class Action Litigation in Australia”; Co-author, *Class Actions in Australia* 3rd ed.

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'AFTER THE EVENT' INSURANCE: ITS USE, CURRENT TRENDS AND HOW TO OBTAIN IT

- ATE insurance: What is it?
- How and why it is used in class actions
- Current trends and future developments
- How to obtain it & what to look out for

Presented by **Philip Lomax**, Managing Director (Asia Pacific), Litica; Lawyer

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10 POINTS IN ONE DAY – YOUR LAST CHANCE

MONDAY, 31 MARCH 2025

7.30AM TO 6.30PM

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253N49

Time is running out! Seize your last opportunity to fulfill your CPD requirements before the clock strikes 11.59pm on 31 March. Join a power-packed day with targeted sessions across property, contracts, succession, privacy, business and more. Designed to deliver essential knowledge and help you earn all your mandatory CPD, you'll walk away with all the units you need in just one day!

SESSION 1: PROPERTY, TAX AND CONTRACT LAW UPDATES

7.30AM TO 10.30AM 253N49A

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Chair: **Ian McKnight**, Special Counsel, Pobi Lawyers

PROPERTY LAW REVIEW: DEVELOPMENTS OVER THE LAST 12 MONTHS

- Commercial leases
- Sale of land
- Strata law
- Caveats, mortgages and easements

Presented by **Stephen Ipp**, Barrister, Greenway Chambers

CRITICAL TAX ISSUES AND UPDATES

- GST withholding regime
- Tax changes and updates your property and business law clients expect you to know
- Issues with non-residents buying, selling and owning real property: CGT, stamp duty and land tax
- Current issues with land tax and stamp duty: what State Revenue is looking at

Presented by **Lisa To**, Partner, Bartier Perry; Recommended Tax Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2023*

CONTRACT LAW UPDATE

Examine key changes in unfair contract terms, unfair business practices, consumer guarantee enforcement, and online contracting. Learn how these updates impact compliance, client obligations, and digital transactions.

Presented by **Caitlin Whale**, Partner, Baker McKenzie and **Adrian Lawrence**, Partner, Baker McKenzie

PERSONAL PROPERTY SECURITIES ACT OVERVIEW

- Why you and your clients should care about the PPSA
- Registration, perfection and removal of security interests on the PPS Register
- Don't be a case citation. How to avoid common and costly PPSA errors

Presented by **Chris Wilkinson**, Partner, Brown Wright Stein Lawyers

SESSION 2: SUCCESSION, BANKRUPTCY, AND PRIVACY LAW

10:45AM TO 3.15PM 253N4B

\$505

Chair: **David Mackay**, Barrister, PG Hely Chambers

ALTERNATIVES TO WINDING UP AND BANKRUPTCY ACTION

- Why alternatives to winding up and bankruptcy are worthwhile
- Instalment orders and garnishees
- Examinations
- Writs for the levy of property; Writ of execution: Real Property

Presented by **Daniel Emmerig**, Barrister, 9 Wentworth Chambers

SUCCESSION LAW CASE UPDATE

- Construction of wills
- Aspects of family provision claims
- 2024 probate and succession in the Court of Appeal
- Validity of wills
- Costs ...and more!

Presented by **Anthea Kennedy**, Partner, Bridges Lawyers; Accredited Specialist, Wills and Estates Law; Preeminent, Wills & Estates Litigation and Preeminent Wills, Estates & Succession Planning Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

A PRACTICAL TOOLKIT FOR CONTESTED PROBATE

- Circumstances where the validity of a Will may be contested:
- Probate caveats
- Commencing proceedings
- Evidence: lay, expert and solicitor; issuing subpoena
- Appointment of independent administrators
- Settlement: what is required for the Court to make final orders
- Costs orders in contested probate litigation

Presented by **Lauren Gidley**, Legal Practitioner Director, Glass Goodwin; Accredited Specialist in Wills and Estates Law; Leading Wills & Estates Litigation Lawyer, *Doyle's Guide 2024*

PRIVACY & DATA LAW UPDATE

Cover off the key aspects of privacy and data law and address the pending changes to the *Privacy Act 1988*.

- Key definitions and concepts
- Key enforcement priorities and recent cases and examples
- Interception of privacy laws with other developments such as AI and Security of Critical Infrastructure

Presented by **Olga Ganopolsky**, General Counsel - Privacy and Data, Macquarie Group Limited

SESSION 3: ETHICS, PROFESSIONAL SKILLS & PRACTICE MANAGEMENT FOR ALL LAWYERS

3.30PM TO 6.30PM 253N49C

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Chair: **Max Bonnell**, Partner, Henry Williams Lawyers✓ *Practice Management and Business Skills*

PERSONAL PRODUCTIVITY MASTERCLASS

- Understand Personal Prioritisation: learn how to prioritise all your activities and why only 80% of your time should be spent doing important and urgent activities
- Time boxing: learn how to create space in your day for the most important activities
- Reminder flags: step-by-step method to setting up reminder flags that actually work
- Monthly Matter Milestones: visibility of deadlines
- Daily Book: simple techniques to identify and prioritise your work

Presented by **Therese Linton**, Founder and Principal, Basalt Group✓ *Ethics and Professional Responsibility*

ETHICAL DILEMMAS: LEARNING FROM OTHERS' MISTAKES

Acquire the essential knowledge, skills, and strategies to safeguard your ethical integrity as you:

- Comprehend the foundation of your ethical responsibilities
- Examine practical scenarios and real-world examples

Presented by **Jennifer Shaw**, Partner, Bartier Perry; Panel Member, Law Society of NSW Professional Conduct Advisory Panel✓ *Professional Skills*

A GUIDE TO GETTING THE MOST OUT OF EXPERT CONCLAVES

- What is a conclave and what is its purpose
- Shortcomings of the conclave process
- The role of a facilitator and the value added
- What can happen if experts are left to their own devices
- How to prepare for a conclave: the documents, assumptions, and questions
- Tips for drafting questions
- Preparing your expert

Presented by **Rebecca Mulae**, Conclave Facilitator, R3 Resolutions

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Session 2: Navigating Water Law & Climate Change	252N18B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
Evidence and Advocacy Intensive	252N19	\$795.00	\$556.50			
Session 1: An Evidence Masterclass	252N19A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Mastering Your Advocacy Skills: Insights From the Experts	252N19B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
11th Annual Property Law Conference: Key Reforms, FIRB, Tax and Transactions	253N06	\$795.00	\$556.50			
Session 1: Navigating Key Property Law Reforms & Transaction Concerns	253N06A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Ethics, Professional Skills & Practice Management For Property Lawyers	253N06B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
In-House Counsel Conference	253N07	\$795.00	\$556.50			
Session 1: Essential Legislative and Regulatory Updates For In-House Counsel	253N07A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Ethics, Professional Skills & Practice Management For In-House Counsel	253N07B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
13th Annual Intellectual Property Conference 2025	253N08	\$795.00	\$556.50			
Session 1: IP in Advertising, AI and Indigenous Knowledge	253N08A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Infringement and Remedies of IP Rights, and Appeals of the Trade Mark Registrar	253N08B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
19th Annual Personal Injury Conference	253N09	\$795.00	\$556.50			
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Session 2: Ethics, Professional Skills and Practice Management For Personal Injury Lawyers	253N09B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
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Session 1: From Bill to Building: Navigating the New Building Bill, Compliance Powers & Sopa	253N11A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Ethics, Professional Skills & Practice Management For Construction Lawyers	253N11B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
Conveyancing Symposium	253N16	\$795.00	\$556.50			
Session 1: From Contracts to Title: Overcoming Challenges in Conveyancing	253N16A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Ethics, Professional Skills & Practice Management For Conveyancers	253N16B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
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Session 1: What'S New in Entertainment Regulation and Compliance	253N18A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Options, Production Trends and Producer Offsets	253N18B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
22nd Annual Succession Law Symposium	253N19	\$795.00	\$556.50			
Session 1: Navigating the Challenging Issues in Succession Law	253N19A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Wills and Estates: Ethics, Professional Skills and Practice Management	253N19B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
Contract Law Conference 2025: Risk Minimisation, Regulatory Compliance and Disputes	253N22	\$795.00	\$556.50			
Session 1: Navigating Contract Disputes	253N22A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Drafting Contracts For Risk Minimisation and Regulatory Compliance	253N22B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
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Session 1: Domestic Violence, Bail, Drug Court and Digital Access Orders	253N23A	\$505.00	\$353.50			
Session 2: Professional Skills and Ethics For Criminal Lawyers	253N23B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
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Session 2: Motor Accident Claims Update 2025	253N30B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
12th Annual Immigration Law Conference 2025	253N33	\$795.00	\$556.50			
Session 1: Strategies to Deal With Visa Reform	253N33A	\$420.00	\$294.00			
Session 2: Ethics For Immigration Lawyers and Agents	253N33B	\$160.00	\$112.00			
Session 3: Visa Cancellation, Judicial Review & Appeals	253N33C	\$420.00	\$294.00			
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Session 1: Property, Tax and Contract Law Updates	253N49A	\$420.00	\$294.00			
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Trust Masterclass: Navigating the Current Concerns	253N03	\$795.00	\$556.50			
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Session 2: Tax Disputes and Disputes Related to Trust Management	253N03B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
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Session 1: Stream B: Family Law Updates, Cases and Wills Disputes	252P01B	\$420.00	\$294.00			
Session 2: Plenary Session: Ethics, Professional Skills & Practice Management For All Lawyers	252P01C	\$420.00	\$294.00			
Session 3: Stream A: The Latest in Contracts, Business Law, Employment and Insolvency	252P01D	\$505.00	\$353.50			
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Family Law Drafting: Agreements, Applications and Affidavits	WEB252N14	\$505.00	\$353.50		
Not-For-Profit & Charities Law: Legislation, Governance & Compliance	WEB252N15	\$505.00	\$353.50		
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Session 1: Risk Mitigation and Avoidance in Business Sales, and Ensuring Compliance	WEB253N14A	\$505.00	\$353.50		
Session 2: Practical Strategies That Assist the Legal Process in Business Sales	WEB253N14B	\$420.00	\$294.00		
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