



CONFERENCE

19-20 March 2026
Pullman Magenta Shores Resort

DAY 1 PROGRAM Thursday 19 March 2026

9:00 am **Registration, exhibitor floor opens**

📍 Pullman Magenta Shores Resort
Coffee cart opens

Chair: Genevieve Henderson, NSW President, Australian Lawyers Alliance and Practice Group Leader at Slater and Gordon Lawyers

Plenary 📍 Magenta Ballroom 1&2

9:30am **Welcome to Country**

9:35am **Welcome and introduction**

👤 Ian Murray, National President, Australian Lawyers Alliance and Partner, The Law Office of Conrad Curry

👤 Genevieve Henderson, NSW President, Australian Lawyers Alliance and Practice Group Leader, Slater and Gordon Lawyers

9:45am **The human face behind industrial manslaughter laws: A Mother's mission for justice and reform through reality**



👤 Patrizia Cassaniti, Director, Let's talk about safety



10:30am **Morning break (30 minutes)**

Stream A: Workers Injury

📍 Magenta Ballroom 1

Chair: David Bullock

Stream B: Medical

📍 Magenta Ballroom 2

Chair: Larissa Atkinson, Legal Counsel, Slater and Gordon











11:00am **NSW workers compensation reforms – What does this mean for you and your clients**

Medico-Legal aspects of Functional Neurological Disorders



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<p>👤 Roshana May, NSW Director, Australian Lawyers Alliance 👤 Shane Butcher, Partner, Law Partners Personal Injury Lawyers</p> 	<p>👤 Christian Gericke, Neurologist & Professor of Medicine, Australian National University</p>  
<p>11:45am Coal mining cases 👤 Katharine Young, Barrister, Sir Anthony Mason Chambers</p> 	<p>Moral Injury in the worker's compensation setting 👤 A/Prof Michael Robertson, Psychiatrist, Medilaw</p> 
<p>12:30pm Lunch break</p>	
<p>Stream A: CTP 📍 Magenta Ballroom 1 Chair:</p>	<p>Stream B: Civil Liability 📍 Magenta Ballroom 2 Chair: Joshua Dale, Partner, Carroll & O'Dea Lawyers</p>
<p>1:30pm CTP update: How to optimally prepare a client 👤 Andrew Stone SC, Barrister, Sir Anthony Mason Chambers</p> 	<p>Non-Delegable duty and civil liability – Where are we now? 👤 Bill Madden, Senior Legal Counsel, Carroll & O'Dea Lawyers</p>  
<p>2:15pm Multiple cause injuries: Issues and WPI assessments in the MVA and WC contexts 👤 Jnana Gumbert, Barrister, Jack Shand Chambers</p> 	<p>Novus Actus from the plaintiff's perspective 👤 Jane Bulter, Principal Solicitor, Remedy Law Group 👤 Kim Tomasic, Associate Solicitor, Remedy Law Group</p> 



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3:00pm **Afternoon break**

Chair:

3:30pm **Employer's Liability and 'Body Hire' cases**



👤 Christopher Barry KC, Barrister, 5 Selborne Chambers



4:15pm **Human Rights and Tort Law**



👤 Dr Ebony Birchall, Lecturer, Macquarie Law School

5:00pm **Conference close day 1**

6:30pm **Casual BBQ buffet dinner sponsored by MA Financial Group**

📍 Pullman Magenta Shores Resort, Lakeside Lawn



DAY 2 PROGRAM Friday 20 March 2026

8:30am **Exhibitor floor and coffee cart opens**

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Chair: David Jones, Partner, Carroll & O'Dea Lawyers

Plenary 📍 Magenta Ballroom

9:00am **AI and the Law**



👤 Tania Sourdin, Emeritus Professor, School of Law and Justice, University of Newcastle

9:45am **Ethics and professional responsibility**



👤 Neil Watt, Solicitor & Consulting Ethicist, Neil Watt Consulting



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10:45 am Morning break (30 Minutes)

Chair: Roshana May, NSW Director, Australian Lawyers Alliance

11:15am **NSW Workers Compensation Reform - The role of lawyers as experts and advocates in policy development and political debate**



🗣️ Abigail Boyd, Member of the Legislative Council

12:00pm **Annual Case Review**



🗣️ Dr Andrew Morrison RFD SC, Senior Counsel, Wardell Chambers

1:00pm **Closing address and prize giveaways**

🗣️ Genevieve Henderson, NSW President, Australian Lawyers Alliance and Practice Group Leader at Slater and Gordon Lawyers

1:15pm **Conference close day 2**

The program is subject to change without notice.



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