



# CONFERENCE PROGRAM

As at 22 October 2024

## TUESDAY 29 OCTOBER 2024

1700-1900	Registration Open (State Reception Centre at Fraser's, at Kings Park)
1800-2100	Welcome Reception (State Reception Centre at Fraser's, Kings Park) - Sponsored by Kennedy Partners Lawyers

## WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER 2024

0700-0800	Swan River Strides (departing from Elizabeth Quay) - Sponsored by The Relationships
0830-1730	Registration Open (Level 2, PCEC)
0830-1815	Exhibition Open (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)
0900-1100	Opening Remarks, Welcome to Country and Plenary 1 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)  <b>State of the Nation</b>  Acknowledgement of Country: Aunty Robyn Collard, WA  Welcome to Perth: Chair: Greg McIntyre SC, <i>President of the Law Council of Australia</i> , Michael Kirby Chambers, WA  Session Chair: Di Simpson, <i>Chair of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia</i> , DDCS Lawyers, ACT  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Hon. Mark Dreyfus KC MP, <i>Attorney-General of Australia</i></li><li>• The Hon. Justice Alstergren AO, <i>Chief Justice of the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1) and Chief Judge of the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2)</i></li><li>• The Hon. Justice Sutherland, <i>Chief Judge of the Family Court of Western Australia</i>, WA</li></ul> Session Co-ordinator: Nicola Watts, <i>Treasurer of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia</i> , O'Sullivan Davies, WA  Session sponsored by <i>John Toohey Chambers</i>
1100-1130	Morning Tea and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)

1130-1230	<b>Concurrent 1A</b> (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 1B</b> (Meeting Rooms 1-3, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 1C</b> (River View Room 4, Level 2, PCEC)
	<b>Spousal and De Facto Partner Maintenance: Does the End Justify the Means?</b>  Speaker: Judge O'Shannessy, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2), Vic</i>  Session Chair: Stacey Wellings, <i>President of the Family Law Practitioners' Association (WA), Carr &amp; Co, WA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Nicola Watts, <i>Treasurer of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Holmes List Barristers Victorian Bar</i>	<b>Order Up! A World Tour of Australian Legal Enforcement Strategies in Financial Matters</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rachael Kelsey, <i>President of the International Academy of Family Lawyers, SKO Family Lawyers, Scotland, UK</i></li> <li>Inger Blackford, <i>Trinity Chambers, Auckland, NZ</i></li> <li>Dr Anita Vimlati, <i>AV Family Law, Hungary</i></li> <li>Ms Samantha Lewis, <i>Mdt Family Law Specialists, South Africa</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Ian Kennedy AM, <i>Kennedy Partners Lawyers, Vic</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Catherine Leach, <i>Leach Legal, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Blanchfield Nicholls Family &amp; Private Advisory</i>	<b>Relocation: Evidence and Judicial Considerations Where Vast Empty Space Divides Two Homes</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hon. Madam Justice Marriott, <i>Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta, Canada</i></li> <li>The Hon. Justice Kari, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), SA</i></li> <li>Teresa Farmer SC, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Jaquie Palavra, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Legal Aid NT</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Teresa Farmer SC, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Tolis &amp; Co Lawyers</i>
1230-1330	<b>Lunch and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)</b>		
1330-1430	<b>Concurrent 2A</b> (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 2B</b> (Meeting Rooms 1-3, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 2C</b> (River View Room 4, Level 2, PCEC)
	<b>Hadkinson Orders: Enforcement by the Back Door?</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Judge Dickson, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2), SA</i></li> <li>Brett McGrath, <i>President of the Law Society of NSW, Marsdens Law Group, NSW</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Greg Howe, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Howe Jenkin, SA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Kristie Smith, <i>Meillon and Bright, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Myra Aris &amp; Co</i>	<b>Child Support: Cutting Through the Complexity</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cath Devine, <i>Foley's List - Victorian Bar, Vic</i></li> <li>Prof Lisa Young, <i>Murdoch University, WA</i></li> <li>Prof Bruce Smyth, <i>Australian National University, ACT</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Member Rebecca Bunney, <i>State Administrative Tribunal, WA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Melissa Losinski, <i>Calverley Johnston, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by AF Legal Group</i>	<b>AIFLAM: Child-Inclusive Mediation - Bringing the Voice of the Child to FDR</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chanel Hughes, <i>Chanel Hughes Mediation and Consultation, NSW</i></li> <li>Clare Rowe, <i>Rowe and Associates, NSW</i></li> <li>Shelby Timmins, <i>Divorce Done Differently, NSW</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Emma Swart, <i>Foley's List - Victorian Bar, Vic</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Andrew Davies, <i>O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by HopgoodGanim Lawyers</i>
1430-1445	<b>Session Changeover</b>		

1445-1545	<b>Concurrent 3A</b> (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 3B</b> (Meeting Rooms 1-3, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 3C</b> (River View Room 4, Level 2, PCEC)
	<b>Are Arrangements Safe Enough?</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Judge Beckhouse, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2), NSW</i></li> <li>Alex Wearne, <i>Reid Family Lawyers, NSW</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Pip Davis, <i>Women's Legal Service, NSW</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Alexander Mondia, <i>O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i>	<b>Beyond the Grave: Acting for Deceased Estates in the Family Courts</b>  Speaker: Melissa Gillies SC, <i>Culwulla Chambers, NSW</i>  Session Chair: The Hon. Justice Berry, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Brendan Ashdown, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Pickles Advisory &amp; Valuations</i>	<b>Donor Conceived or Deceived</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fiona Darroch, <i>The Relationspace, NSW</i></li> <li>Stephen Page, <i>Page Provan, Qld</i></li> <li>Rachel Oakeley, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Magistrate Wadsworth, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Rachel Oakeley, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i>
1545-1615	Afternoon Tea and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)		
1615-1625	The Michael Taussig QC Family Law Essay Award and the Pro Bono & Not for Profit Scholarship Presentation (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)		
1625-1725	<b>Plenary 2</b> (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)  <b>An A-Z of Advocacy</b>  Speaker: The Hon. Mr Justice Russell Coleman KC, <i>High Court, Hong Kong</i>  Session Chair and Co-ordinator: Nicola Watts, <i>Treasurer of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Leach Legal</i>		
1725-1825	Happy Hour (Exhibition, Level 2 Foyers, PCEC) - Sponsored by KHQ Lawyers		
1830-2130	Early Career Lawyers' Function (The Reveley, Elizabeth Quay) - Sponsored by Calverley Johnston		

<b>THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER 2024</b>			
0630-0730	Swan River Strides (departing from The Bell Tower, Elizabeth Quay) - Sponsored by Lavan		
0800-1715	Registration Open (Level 2, PCEC)		
0800-1800	Exhibition Open (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)		
0830-0930	<b>Plenary 3</b> (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)  <b>A Blurred Line: The Jurisdictional Boundary Between Family Misconduct and Criminal Culpability</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hon. Justice Brasch, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), NSW</i></li> <li>His Hon. Judge Peter Lodder KC, <i>Kingston-Upon-Thames Crown Court, England, UK</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: The Hon. Justice O'Brien, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Rachel Milton, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Broun Abrahams Burreket</i>		

0830-1100	<b>Appellate Advocacy Workshop</b> (offsite: Family Court of Western Australia) <i>Pre-registration required. Applications have now closed.</i>			
	<b>Plenary 4</b> (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC) <b>Parenting Law After 2024: Simplification or Change of Direction?</b>			
1030-1100	<b>Morning Tea and Exhibition</b> (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)			
1100-1200	<b>Concurrent 4A</b> (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 4B</b> (Meeting Rooms 1-3, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 4C</b> (River View Room 4, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 4D</b> (River View Room 5, Level 2, PCEC)
	<b>The Art of War: Third Party Financial Relief</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mark Parker, <i>Lander &amp; Rogers, Vic</i></li> <li>Susan Pearson, <i>Pearson Emerson Family Law, NSW</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Mr Jamie Burreket, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Broun Abrahams Burreket, NSW</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Brendan Ashdown, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Cutcher &amp; Neale Forensic Accounting</i>	<b>Safety: A Legal or Social Science Concept? Does it Matter? Let's Talk About How We Get There</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hon. Justice Altobelli AM, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), NSW</i></li> <li>Dr Lyn Greenberg, <i>Forensic and Clinical Psychologist, USA</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Magistrate Johnson, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Rachel Milton, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Dorter Family Lawyers &amp; Mediators</i>	<b>Evidence in Family Law: Is it Just the Vibe?</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Judge Lioumis, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2), NSW</i></li> <li>Helen Dellidis SC, <i>Holmes List - Victorian Bar</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: The Hon. Justice Jones, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Nicola Watts, <i>Treasurer of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i>  <i>Session sponsored by Pearson Emerson Family Lawyers</i>	<b>Specialised Case Management: From Little Things Big Things Grow</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Senior Judicial Registrar Heuer, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia, SA</i></li> <li>Senior Judicial Registrar McGowan, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia, NSW</i></li> <li>Senior Judicial Registrar Gray, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia, Qld</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Magistrate Brinkley, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Catherine Leach, <i>Leach Legal, WA</i>

1200-1330	Lunch and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)			
1200-1330	The Chair's Lunch (BelleVue Ballroom, Level 3, PCEC) - Sponsored by Nexia Edwards Marshall			
	<p>Speakers:</p> <p>Luc Longley, <i>Australian basketball coach and former basketball player</i>, interviewed by Sam Lane, <i>Award winning sports journalist</i></p> <p><i>Luc Longley and Sam Lane appear by arrangement with Saxton Speakers Bureau</i></p>			
1330-1430	<b>Concurrent 5A</b> (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 5B</b> (Meeting Rooms 1-3, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 5C</b> (River View Room 4, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Concurrent 5D</b> (River View Room 5, Level 2, PCEC)
	<b>Ethics: Navigating the Legal Labyrinth with Integrity</b> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trevor McKenna, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Derwent &amp; Tamar Chambers, Tas</i></li> <li>Marlene Ebejer, <i>Ebejer &amp; Associates Lawyers, Vic</i></li> <li>Brett McGrath, <i>President of the Law Society of NSW, Marsdens Law Group, NSW</i></li> </ul> <p>Session Chair: Jason Walker, <i>Deputy Chair of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, Forté Family Lawyers, Vic</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Ana Christou, <i>Mills Oakley, WA</i></p> <p><i>Session sponsored by Gordon &amp; Barry Lawyers</i></p>	<b>Single Expert Witnesses: To Infinity and Beyond!</b> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hon. Simon Moncrieff SC, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></li> <li>The Hon. Robert Benjamin AM SC, <i>Tasmanian Bar, Tas</i></li> <li>Dr Ben Jones, <i>Vincent Papaleo &amp; Associates, Vic</i></li> </ul> <p>Session Chair: The Hon. Justice Cohen, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Melissa Losinski, <i>Calverley Johnston, WA</i></p> <p><i>Session sponsored by Douglas Hoskins Legal</i></p>	<b>Australia's Implementation of the 1980 Hague Convention: Navigating a Changing Legal Landscape</b> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Amanda Lilley, <i>Director of the International Family Law Section at the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department, ACT</i></li> <li>Kate Ellson, <i>Assistant State Counsel, WA Solicitor's Office, WA</i></li> <li>Michael Nicholls KC, <i>Michael Kirby Chambers, WA</i></li> </ul> <p>Session Chair: Principal Registrar Forrest, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Sarah Monahan, <i>Gosnells Community Legal Centre, WA</i></p> <p><i>Session sponsored by Australian Government Attorney-General's Department</i></p>	<b>Mediation in a Court Context: The Beginning, the Middle and the End</b> <p>Speaker: Senior Judicial Registrar Rice, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia, Qld</i></p> <p>Session Chair: Registrar Meysner, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Alexander Mondia, <i>O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i></p> <p><i>Session sponsored by Grant Thornton</i></p>
1430-1500	Afternoon Tea and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)			



1500-1600	<b>Plenary 5 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</b> <b>Apples and Oranges: Unlocking the Secrets of Comparable Cases in Family Law Property Cases</b> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hon. Justice Forrester, <i>Supreme Court of Western Australia, WA</i></li> <li>Dr Robin Smith, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Holmes List - Victorian Bar, Vic</i></li> </ul> <p>Session Chair: Judge Glass, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2), Vic</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Rachel Oakeley, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></p> <p>Session sponsored by <b>Howe Jenkin Family Lawyers</b></p>
1600-1700	<b>Plenary 6 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</b> <b>Tomorrow's Lawyers: The Future of Legal Service and the Impact of AI on the Law</b> <p>Speaker: Prof Richard Susskind OBE FRSE, <i>United Kingdom (presenting virtually)</i></p> <p>Session Chair: Paul Doolan, <i>Immediate Past Chair of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, Barkus Doolan Winning, NSW</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Natalie Kam, <i>Jackson MacDonald, WA</i></p> <p>Session sponsored by <b>Barry Nilsson</b></p>
1700-1800	<b>Happy Hour (Exhibition, Level 2 Foyers, PCEC) - Sponsored by CT Group</b>
1800-2030	<b>LGBTQIA+ Function (Connections Nightclub, Perth CBD) - Sponsored by Svenson Barristers</b>
1830-2130	<b>Degustation Dinner (Samuel's on Mill, Parmelia Hilton) - Sponsored by Ampersand Estates</b>
1830-2230	<b>Out Of Towners Function (Print Hall, Perth CBD) - Sponsored by Perth Family Lawyers</b>
<b>FRIDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2024</b>	
0830-1545	<b>Registration Open (Level 2, PCEC)</b>
0830-1330	<b>Exhibition Open (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)</b>
0900-1000	<b>Plenary 7 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</b> <b>When One Size Doesn't Fit All: How the System Recognises Indigenous Issues</b> <p>Speaker: Dr Tracy Westerman AM, <i>Indigenous Psychological Services, WA</i></p> <p>Session Chair: His Hon. Judge MacLean, <i>District Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Teresa Farmer SC, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></p> <p>Session sponsored by <b>Balance Sheet +</b></p>
1000-1100	<b>Plenary 8 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</b> <b>Peter Nygh Memorial Lecture: Pre and Post Nuptial Agreements, Vitiating Factors, and the Role of the Trial Judge</b> <p>Speaker: The Hon. Justice Edelman, <i>High Court of Australia</i></p> <p>Session Chair: Philip Looney KC, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, 19 Inns Chambers, Qld</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Catherine Leach, <i>Leach Legal, WA</i></p> <p>Session sponsored by <b>Nicholes Family Lawyers</b></p>

1100-1130	<b>Morning Tea and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)</b>	
1130-1230	<b>Parallel Session 6A</b> (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)	<b>Parallel Session 6B</b> (River View Rooms 4&5, Level 2, PCEC)
	<b>Termination of BFAs for Fundamental Breach by Conduct</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joshua Thomson SC, <i>Francis Burt Chambers, WA</i></li> <li>Assoc Prof Meredith Blake, <i>University of Western Australia, WA/WA Law Reform Deputy Commissioner</i></li> <li>Jacky Campbell, <i>Forte Family Lawyers, Vic</i></li> </ul> Session Chair and Co-ordinator: Andrew Davies, <i>O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i>	<b>Cross Examination: Should it be Banned in Parenting Matters?</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hon. Justice Tree, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), Qld</i></li> <li>Peter Cummings SC, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Waratah Chambers, NSW</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: Kate Mooney SC, <i>Michael Kirby Chambers, Tas</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Nicola Watts, <i>Treasurer of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i>
1230-1330	<b>Lunch and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)</b>	
1330-1340	<b>21<sup>st</sup> National Conference Presentation (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</b>	
1340-1440	<b>Plenary 9 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</b>  <b>Compassion and Compartmentalisation: The Psychological Risks of Being a Family Lawyer</b>  Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Her Hon. Judge Barbagallo, <i>District Court of Western Australia, WA</i></li> <li>Angela Martinovich, <i>Martinovich Psychological Services, WA</i></li> <li>Angie Bain, <i>Head of Wellbeing, Fremantle Dockers Football Club, WA</i></li> </ul> Session Chair: The Hon. Dr Andrew Lu AM, <i>President of the Mental Health Tribunal WA, WA</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Amy Fels, <i>Kerr Fels, WA</i>	
1440-1540	<b>Plenary 10 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</b>  <b>Gladiators: The Great Debate</b>  Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hon. Mr Justice Russell Coleman KC, <i>High Court, Hong Kong</i></li> <li>His Hon. Judge Peter Lodder KC, <i>Kingston-Upon-Thames Crown Court, England, UK</i></li> <li>Michael Kearney SC, <i>Waratah Chambers, NSW</i></li> <li>Teresa Farmer SC, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></li> <li>Rachael Kelsey, <i>President, International Academy of Family Lawyers, SKO Family Lawyers, Scotland, UK</i></li> <li>Rebecca Horsley, <i>Win Paten Chambers, Qld</i></li> <li>Inger Blackford, <i>Trinity Chambers, Auckland, NZ</i></li> <li>Olivia Grobtuch, <i>Kennedy Partners Lawyers, Vic</i></li> <li>James Haddock, <i>Blackburn Chambers, ACT</i></li> <li>Greg Howe, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Howe Jenkin, SA</i></li> </ul> Session Moderator: Sheridan Emerson, <i>Pearson Emerson Family Law, NSW</i>  Session Co-ordinator: Nicola Watts, <i>Treasurer of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i>  Session sponsored by <i>Farrar Gesini Dunn</i>	
1830-late	<b>Gala Dinner (Optus Stadium, Burswood) - Sponsored by Culshaw Miller Legal Group</b>	