

EARLY CAREER LAWYERS' DAY PROGRAM

As at 23 August 2024

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The Hon. Justice Tyson, *Family Court of Western Australia*
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Early Career Lawyers' Day Session Co-ordinator

Teresa Farmer SC, *John Toohey Chambers, WA*

WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER 2024

0700-0800 **Swan River Strides (departing from Elizabeth Quay)**

0830-1730 **Registration Open (Level 2, PCEC)**

0830-1815 **Exhibition Open (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)**

0930-1100 **Opening Remarks, Welcome to Country and Plenary 1 (Riverside Theatre, PCEC)**

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Speakers:

- The Hon. Mark Dreyfus KC MP, *Attorney-General of Australia*
- The Hon. Justice Alstergren AO, *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)*
- The Hon. Justice Sutherland, *Chief Judge of the Family Court of Western Australia, WA*
- Di Simpson, *Chair of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, DDCS Lawyers, ACT*

Chair: Greg McIntyre SC, *President of the Law Council of Australia, Michael Kirby Chambers, WA*

Session Co-ordinator: Nicola Watts, *Treasurer of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, O'Sullivan Davies, WA*

Session sponsored by John Toohey Chambers

1100-1130 **Morning Tea and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)**

1130-1230 **Early Career Lawyers' Day Session One (Meeting Rooms 1&2, PCEC)**

Back to Basics: Functional Family Law Files as an Aid to Efficient Professional Legal Representation

Speakers:

- Collette McFawn, *Lander & Rogers, NSW*
- Kondwani Mwenda, *FMD Legal, WA*
- James Naughton, *Naughton McCarthy, Qld*

1230-1330 **Lunch and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)**

1330-1430 **Early Career Lawyers' Day Session Two (Meeting Rooms 1&2, PCEC)**

So, You're Off to Court: Preparing for an Interim Hearing

Speakers:

- Jeff Marhinan, *Barkus Doolan Winning, NSW*
- Rachel Milton, *John Toohey Chambers, WA*

1430-1445 **Session Changeover**



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| 1445-1545 | Early Career Lawyers' Day Session Three (Meeting Rooms 1&2, PCEC) The Art of Advocacy Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Hon. Anne Rees SC, <i>NSW</i>• The Hon. Michael Kent KC, <i>19 Inns Chambers, Qld</i>• Michael Kearney SC, <i>Waratah Chambers, NSW</i> |
| 1545-1615 | Afternoon Tea and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC) |
| 1615-1715 | Plenary 2 (Riverside Theatre, PCEC) An A-Z of Advocacy Speaker: The Hon. Mr Justice Russell Coleman KC, <i>High Court, Hong Kong</i> 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> |
| 1715-1815 | 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 |