

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

As at 16 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 Relationspace

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)

State of the Nation

Acknowledgement of Country: Aunty Robyn Collard, WA

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

Session Chair: Di Simpson, *Chair of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, DDCS Lawyers, ACT*

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*

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

1445-1545	<p>Concurrent 3A (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Are Arrangements Safe Enough?</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judge Beckhouse, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2), NSW</i> Alex Wearne, <i>Reid Family Lawyers, NSW</i> <p>Session Chair: Pip Davis, <i>Women's Legal Service, NSW</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Alexander Mondia, <i>O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i></p>	<p>Concurrent 3B (Meeting Rooms 1-3, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Beyond the Grave: Acting for Deceased Estates in the Family Courts</p> <p>Speaker: Melissa Gillies SC, <i>Culwulla Chambers, NSW</i></p> <p>Session Chair: The Hon. Justice Berry, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Brendan Ashdown, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></p> <p><i>Session sponsored by Pickles Advisory & Valuations</i></p>	<p>Concurrent 3C (River View Room 4, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Donor Conceived or Deceived</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fiona Darroch, <i>The Relationspace, NSW</i> Stephen Page, <i>Page Provan, Qld</i> Rachel Oakeley, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i> <p>Session Chair: Magistrate Wadsworth, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Rachel Oakeley, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></p>
1545-1615	<p>Afternoon Tea and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)</p>		
1615-1625	<p>The Michael Taussig QC Family Law Essay Award and the Pro Bono & Not for Profit Scholarship Presentation (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</p>		
1625-1725	<p>Plenary 2 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>An A-Z of Advocacy</p> <p>Speaker: The Hon. Mr Justice Russell Coleman KC, <i>High Court, Hong Kong</i></p> <p>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></p> <p><i>Session sponsored by Leach Legal</i></p>		
1725-1825	<p>Happy Hour (Exhibition, Level 2 Foyers, PCEC) - Sponsored by KHQ Lawyers</p>		
1830-2130	<p>Early Career Lawyers' Function (The Reveley, Elizabeth Quay) - Sponsored by Calverley Johnston</p>		
<p>THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER 2024</p>			
0630-0730	<p>Swan River Strides (departing from The Bell Tower, Elizabeth Quay) - Sponsored by Lavan</p>		
0800-1715	<p>Registration Open (Level 2, PCEC)</p>		
0800-1800	<p>Exhibition Open (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)</p>		
0830-0930	<p>Plenary 3 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>A Blurred Line: The Jurisdictional Boundary Between Family Misconduct and Criminal Culpability</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Justice Brasch, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), NSW</i> His Hon. Judge Peter Lodder KC, <i>Kingston-Upon-Thames Crown Court, England, UK</i> <p>Session Chair: The Hon. Justice O'Brien, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Rachel Milton, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></p> <p><i>Session sponsored by Broun Abrahams Burreket</i></p>		

0830-1100	Appellate Advocacy Workshop (offsite: Family Court of Western Australia) <i>Pre-registration required. Applications have now closed.</i>			
	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Justice Campton, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), NSW</i> The Hon. Michael Kent KC, <i>19 Inns Chambers, Qld</i> The Hon. Garry Watts AM, <i>NSW</i> <p>Session Moderator: Michael Kearney SC, <i>Waratah Chambers, NSW</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Rachel Oakeley, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></p>			
0930-1030	Plenary 4 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)			
	<p>Parenting Law After 2024: Simplification or Change of Direction?</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof Richard Chisholm AM, <i>Australian National University, ACT</i> Minal Vohra SC, <i>Holmes List - Victorian Bar, Vic</i> <p>Session Chair and Co-ordinator: Rodney Worth, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></p> <p>Session sponsored by <i>Blackwood Family Lawyers</i></p>			
1030-1100	Morning Tea and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)			
1100-1200	Concurrent 4A (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)	Concurrent 4B (Meeting Rooms 1-3, Level 2, PCEC)	Concurrent 4C (River View Room 4, Level 2, PCEC)	Concurrent 4D (River View Room 5, Level 2, PCEC)
	<p>The Art of War: Third Party Financial Relief</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mark Parker, <i>Lander & Rogers, Vic</i> Susan Pearson, <i>Pearson Emerson Family Law, NSW</i> <p>Session Chair: Mr Jamie Burreket, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Broun Abrahams Burreket, NSW</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Brendan Ashdown, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></p> <p>Session sponsored by <i>Cutcher & Neale Forensic Accounting</i></p>	<p>Safety: A Legal or Social Science Concept? Does it Matter? Let's Talk About How We Get There</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Justice Altobelli AM, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), NSW</i> Dr Lyn Greenberg, <i>Forensic and Clinical Psychologist, USA</i> <p>Session Chair: Magistrate Johnson, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Rachel Milton, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i></p> <p>Session sponsored by <i>Dorter Family Lawyers & Mediators</i></p>	<p>Evidence in Family Law: Is it Just the Vibe?</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judge Lioumis, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2), NSW</i> Helen Dellidis SC, <i>Holmes List - Victorian Bar</i> <p>Session Chair: The Hon. Justice Jones, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Nicola Watts, <i>Treasurer of the Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia, O'Sullivan Davies, WA</i></p> <p>Session sponsored by <i>Pearson Emerson Family Lawyers</i></p>	<p>Specialised Case Management: From Little Things Big Things Grow</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Judicial Registrar Heuer, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia, SA</i> Senior Judicial Registrar McGowan, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia, NSW</i> Senior Judicial Registrar Gray, <i>Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia, Qld</i> <p>Session Chair: Magistrate Brinkley, <i>Family Court of Western Australia, WA</i></p> <p>Session Co-ordinator: Catherine Leach, <i>Leach Legal, WA</i></p>

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: Luc Longley, <i>Australian basketball coach and former basketball player</i>, interviewed by Sam Lane, <i>Award winning sports journalist</i> <i>Luc Longley and Sam Lane appear by arrangement with Saxton Speakers Bureau</i></p>			
1330-1430	<p>Concurrent 5A (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Ethics: Navigating the Legal Labyrinth with Integrity</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trevor McKenna, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Derwent & Tamar Chambers, Tas</i> Marlene Ebejer, <i>Ebejer & Associates Lawyers, Vic</i> Brett McGrath, <i>President of the Law Society of NSW, Marsdens Law Group, NSW</i> <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>Concurrent 5B (Meeting Rooms 1-3, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Single Expert Witnesses: To Infinity and Beyond!</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Simon Moncrieff SC, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i> The Hon. Robert Benjamin AM SC, <i>Tasmanian Bar, Tas</i> Dr Ben Jones, <i>Vincent Papaleo & Associates, Vic</i> <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>	<p>Concurrent 5C (River View Room 4, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Australia's Implementation of the 1980 Hague Convention: Navigating a Changing Legal Landscape</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amanda Lilley, <i>Director of the International Family Law Section at the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department, ACT</i> Kate Ellson, <i>Assistant State Counsel, WA Solicitor's Office, WA</i> Michael Nicholls KC, <i>Michael Kirby Chambers, WA</i> <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>	<p>Concurrent 5D (River View Room 5, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Mediation in a Court Context: The Beginning, the Middle and the End</p> <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	<p>Plenary 5 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Apples and Oranges: Unlocking the Secrets of Comparable Cases in Family Law Property Cases</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Hon. Justice Forrester, <i>Supreme Court of Western Australia, WA</i> Dr Robin Smith, <i>Family Law Section Executive Member, Holmes List - Victorian Bar, Vic</i> <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 Howe Jenkin Family Lawyers</p>
1600-1700	<p>Plenary 6 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Tomorrow's Lawyers: The Future of Legal Service and the Impact of AI on the Law</p> <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 Barry Nilsson</p>
1700-1800	Happy Hour (Exhibition, Level 2 Foyers, PCEC) - Sponsored by CT Group
1800-2030	LGBTQIA+ Function (Connections Nightclub, Perth CBD) - Sponsored by Svenson Barristers
1830-2130	Degustation Dinner (Samuel's on Mill, Parmelia Hilton) - Sponsored by Ampersand Estates
1830-2230	Out Of Towners Function (Print Hall, Perth CBD) - Sponsored by Perth Family Lawyers
FRIDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2024	
0830-1545	Registration Open (Level 2, PCEC)
0830-1330	Exhibition Open (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)
0900-1000	<p>Plenary 7 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>When One Size Doesn't Fit All: How the System Recognises Indigenous Issues</p> <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 Balance Sheet +</p>
1000-1100	<p>Plenary 8 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)</p> <p>Peter Nygh Memorial Lecture: Pre and Post Nuptial Agreements, Vitiating Factors, and the Role of the Trial Judge</p> <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 Nicholes Family Lawyers</p>

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