



EARLY CAREER LAWYERS' DAY PROGRAM

As at 25 September 2024

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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)

0900-1100 **Opening Remarks, Welcome to Country and Plenary 1** (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC)

State of the Nation

Acknowledgment 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 **Early Career Lawyers' Day Session One** (Meeting Rooms 1&2, Level 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*

Session Chairs:

- The Hon. Justice Tyson, *Family Court of Western Australia*
- The Hon. Justice Christie, *Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), NSW*

Session Co-ordinator: Philip Looney KC, *Family Law Section Executive Member*, 19 Inns Chambers, Qld

1230-1330 **Lunch** (Meeting Rooms 1&2, Level 2)

1330-1430	Early Career Lawyers' Day Session Two (Meeting Rooms 1&2, Level 2, PCEC) So, You're Off to Court: Preparing for an Interim Hearing Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jeff Marhinan, <i>Barkus Doolan Winning, NSW</i> • Rachel Milton, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i> Session Chairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Justice Tyson, Family Court of Western Australia • The Hon. Justice Christie, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), NSW Session Co-ordinator: Teresa Farmer SC, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i>
1430-1445	Session Changeover
1445-1545	Early Career Lawyers' Day Session Three (Meeting Rooms 1&2, Level 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> Session Chairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Justice Tyson, Family Court of Western Australia • The Hon. Justice Christie, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1), NSW Session Co-ordinator: Teresa Farmer SC, <i>John Toohey Chambers, WA</i>
1545-1615	Afternoon Tea and Exhibition (Level 2 Foyers, PCEC)
1615-1715	Plenary 2 (Riverside Theatre, Level 2, PCEC) An A-Z of Advocacy 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> Session sponsored by Leach Legal
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