



# Family Law

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## **Exploring family law topics that affect trans, intersex and non-binary individuals**

This session will examine some of the scenarios and complexities that arise for transgender, non-binary and intersex people in family law matters. This includes the uncertainty around parental status of those seeking to be parents where one of the parties is transgender, non-binary or intersex (and what they can be called), as well as challenges in parenting cases where one parent undergoes a gender transition and the other party expresses resistance or non-acceptance. The court's approach to medical treatment for transgender teenagers and surgical interventions for intersex children after birth will also be examined, alongside proposed changes in the ACT aimed at addressing such scenarios. Presenter Stephen Page will further consider the issues arising for family lawyers as to how to conduct such matters and address all parties, ensuring professional conduct and preventing any form of discrimination or professional conduct complaints.

## **Meet the speaker**

### **Stephen Page, Director, Page Provan**

Stephen Page is a director of Page Provan family and fertility lawyers in Brisbane. He is highly regarded as the leading surrogacy lawyer in Australia. Stephen is the 2023 Queensland Law Society President's Medal recipient and the inaugural Pride in Law Award recipient (2020). He is the founder of the LGBT Family Law Institute in Australia. Stephen has been a Queensland Law Society Accredited Specialist in Family Law since 1996. He is a Fellow of the International Academy of Family Lawyers (including as a member of its gender identity and sexuality committee) and a Fellow of the Academy of Adoption and Assisted Reproduction Attorneys. Stephen is an international representative on the Assisted Reproductive Technology Committee of the American Bar Association, a board member of the Fertility Society of Australia and New Zealand, and a member of the LGBTIQ committee of the Australian Lawyers for Human Rights.