

Program

Day 1 | Thursday, 15 August 2024 | International Convention Centre, Sydney

Time	Topic	Speakers
8.45am	Conference opening	Jacqueline Dawson Chair, Specialist Accreditation Board, Law Society of New South Wales
	Presidential address	Brett McGrath President, Law Society of New South Wales
	Keynote address	To be announced 8 July
9.35am	Welcome by Chair	Glenn Thompson OAM Director, Newnham Solicitors
9.35am – 9.45am	Welcome from the Court: An outline of recent innovations	The Honourable Deputy Chief Justice Robert McClelland AO Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia
9.45am – 10.45am	Complex family law financial disputes	The Honourable Justice Peter Campton Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia
10.45am – 11.00am	Morning tea break	
11.00am – 12.00pm	Delving deeper into the 2023 parenting reforms	Martha Barnett SC Barrister, Culwulla Chambers
12.00pm – 1.00pm	Coercive control as a criminal offence, and its impact on and inter-relationship with family law proceedings	Carolina Soto Barrister, Black Chambers
1.00pm – 1.45pm	Lunch break	

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1.45pm – 2.45pm	Panel: Trauma-informed practice – what we need to know and do to protect clients and solicitors in high conflict disputes	<p>Moderator: Cynthia Bluett Family Law Dispute Resolution Specialist, Separation Solutions</p> <p>Judicial Registrar Julianne Bardetta Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia</p> <p>Hayley Foster Director, Family Violence/Access, Equity and Inclusion, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia</p> <p>Dr Maree Livermore Founder and CEO, Tribe Family Lawyers</p> <p>Dr Monique Phipps Clinical Psychologist</p>
2.45pm – 3.45pm	Busting the trust: When are trust assets available for distribution in a family law proceeding?	<p>Farid Assaf SC Barrister, Banco Chambers</p> <p>Clarrisa Amato Barrister, Banco Chambers</p>
3.45pm – 4.00pm	Afternoon tea break	
4.00pm – 5.00pm	Panel: The redefinition of 'family member' under the Family Law Act 1975, kinship care, and the impact on First Nations communities	<p>Moderator: Bianca Dufty Solicitor in Charge, Family Law Service for Aboriginal Communities, Legal Aid NSW</p> <p>The Honourable Judge Elizabeth Boyle Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia</p> <p>Louise Coady Principal Solicitor, Aboriginal Legal Service Ltd NSW/ACT</p> <p>Rachael Ward Director, Child Law, DCJ Legal, Law Reform & Legal Services, Communities and Justice</p>
5.00pm – 5.30pm	Day 1 close and networking reception	

Day 2 | Friday, 16 August 2024 | Live online

Time	Topic	Speakers
8.30am	Welcome by Chair	Glenn Thompson OAM Director, Newnhams Solicitors
8.30am – 9.30am	Shall we collaborate, mediate, arbitrate, coordinate or litigate for our last tango?	Maurice Edwards Special Counsel, Rafton Family Lawyers
9.35am – 10.35am	The proposed new property regime: Principles and practicalities	Eleanor Lau Partner, Lander & Rogers
10.35am – 10.50am	Break	
10.50am – 11.50am	Dimensions of family violence matters: Best practice when running a Kennon claim and investigating allegations of family violence	Craig Brickwood Barrister, Waratah Chambers
11.55am – 12.55pm	The different types of parental loans and how they are treated by the Court	Malcolm Gittoes-Caesar Consultant, Family & Relationship Law, Lander & Rogers
12.55pm – 1.00pm	Conference close	Glenn Thompson OAM Director, Newnhams Solicitors

On-demand

Time	Topic	Speakers
Available from 17 August 2024	Case law update: Recent 'big money' cases and appeals	Claire Cantrall Barrister, Waratah Chambers

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