

Sub-Committee Key leadership

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Key Objectives for 2024 and 2025

- To foster a strong **community** by encouraging collaboration and networking among young lawyers and law students, providing a supportive space to share experiences and challenges.
- To enhance the **competence** of members by providing access to professional development opportunities.
- To support **career** growth and development by creating platforms for young lawyers and students to explore career pathways, gain visibility, and connect with leaders in the legal profession.

Key Sub-Committee Initiatives/Projects achieved since Mid-Year Assembly 2024 (include initiatives, projects, submissions and publications)

A major focus for the Sub-Committee has been enhancing the value offered to members through organising in-person meetings and events. These sessions have been structured around the Sub-Committee's three core objectives—community, competence, and careers.

- The **Community** section of the meetings has evolved into a more informal and engaging segment, featuring a 'Fast Five' segment. This involves five quick, thought-provoking questions designed to spark conversation and strengthen the relationships among committee members. These discussions have contributed to fostering a sense of belonging and shared experience within the Sub-Committee.
- The **Competence** section focuses on the professional development of members, offering concise updates on notable case law or emerging issues relevant to Public and Government Law. This section has significantly contributed to members' ongoing learning and has allowed them to stay informed about important legal developments.
- In the **Careers** section, the spotlight shifts to one of the Sub-Committee's members, providing them with an opportunity to share insights into their career journey. This segment has not only encouraged discussions about skill-building and career planning but also inspired members to think more strategically about their professional growth.

These three sections—community, competence, and careers—have collectively fostered a collaborative environment, promoting active participation and engagement at every monthly meeting. The new structure has added depth to discussions and allowed members to develop both personally and professionally within a supportive network.

Further comments to the AA Forum

- Sir Anthony Mason Constitutional Law Essay Competition December 2024 to February 2025
- Potentially hosting a careers in Public Law & Government: Government recruitment for legal roles July 2025
- Potentially hosting a NSW Young Lawyers 2025 Constitutional/Administrative Law Address
- Social Events:
 - Informal Post Meeting Dinner/Drinks in the City monthly
 - End of Year Sub-Committee Dinner/Drinks December 2024

*The PL&G Sub-Committee welcomes opportunities to collaborate with other NSWYL Sub-Committees.

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