SYMPOSIUM

Family Law track program

8 March 2024 | 5 hours | 5 CPD points

^{60 min} Objections to subpoena – fundamentals



We take the time to brush up on some of our essential skills. A session designed to build confidence, we will go through the subpoena and objection process to ensure that when you need to object, you're getting it right.

Presenters:

Sarah-Jane MacDonald, Legal Practitioner Director, MacDonald Law; Councillor, Queensland Law Society; Accredited Specialist (Family Law) – Qld Samantha Bolton, Director, Pippa Colman & Associates; Councillor, Queensland Law Society; Member, Queensland Law Society Practice Management Course Committee

Chair:

Jesse Hill, Senior Legal Professional Development Executive, Queensland Law Society

^{45 min} State of the Nation: The operation of the FCFCOA



The Deputy Chief Judge will provide an important, relevant and timely update as to the Court's operations across the country.

Presenter:

The Honourable Deputy Chief Judge Patrizia Mercuri, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 2)

Chair:

Samantha Bolton, Director, Pippa Colman & Associates; Councillor, Queensland Law Society; Member, Queensland Law Society Practice Management Course Committee

^{58 min} How children are involved in technology-facilitated coercive control



Technology plays a growing role in our everyday lives and the dynamics of domestic violence. Parenting is an important context for this abuse.

Technology-facilitated abuse often escalates at separation as abusers lose other avenues of control. This talk presents findings from a world-first study of children's involvement in technology-facilitated coercive control to inform domestic and family violence practice.

Presenter: Associate Professor Molly Dragiewicz, Criminology & Criminal Justice, Griffith University

Chair:

Hayley Stubbings, Senior Policy Solicitor, Queensland Law Society

^{56 min} State of Play: Fresh from the court



Our practitioners will take you through some of the most significant authorities to come from the higher courts in 2023-2024.



Presenters:

Jeffrey Bunning, Barrister, Queensland Bar Blake Hatchman, Barrister, Queensland Bar

Chair:

The Honourable Justice Paul Howard, Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1)

^{60 min} Under the microscope: Legislative review

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In this session we consider the latest changes to the Family Act 1975 (Cth). We will consider changes to the presumptions of shared care responsibility and other significant legislative updates for your practice area.

Presenter: Alexandra Moles, Partner, Mills Oakley; Member, Queensland Law Society Family Law Committee

Chair:

Hayley Stubbings, Senior Policy Solicitor, Queensland Law Society