

Alternative Dispute Resolution Masterclass

Wednesday 31 July 2024 | 12-2.15pm | Online



Program

65 minutes **Advanced Mediation Skills**

Explore effective strategies and practical skills for maximising your success rate in the mediation process.

Topics covered in this session include:

- The behaviour of superior mediators and negotiators
- How to avoid common mistakes made by mediators
- Non-negotiable subjects for mediators
- Psychological traps for mediators
- Why hard bargaining makes sense – the skills required by mediators dealing with competitive parties
- Why some mediators get all the referrals
- NMAS changes – what are the main points to note

Presenters: **Tom Stodulka AM**, Mediator & Conciliator; Member, Queensland Law Society Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee

Toby Boys, Partner, Holding Redlich; Member, Queensland Law Society Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee; Accredited Specialist (Commercial Litigation) – Qld

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55 minutes **Advanced Arbitration Skills**

Learn tips for effective arbitration to enhance the quality, economy and reliability of the arbitration process.

This session will address:

- When and how to refer a matter to arbitration
- What to do when issued with a notice of arbitration
- How to select your arbitrator
- What is the arbitration procedure?
- How to enforce an award
- How to challenge an award

Presenters: **Erika Williams**, Independent Arbitrator, Williams Arbitration; Member, Queensland Law Society Dispute Resolution Committee

The Honourable Justice Michelle May AM KC, Barrister, Queensland Bar; Accredited Mediator and Arbitrator

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Presenters

Toby Boys

Partner, Holding Redlich;
Member, Queensland Law Society Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee;
Accredited Specialist (Commercial Litigation) – Qld



Toby is Partner and Chair of Holding Redlich's National Dispute Resolution & Litigation group.

Toby has practised in the areas of commercial litigation and regulatory matters and has conducted mediations in both Australia and the United Kingdom since 2000. He was previously a dispute resolution advisor with the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution in London and an Advanced Associate with the UK's Financial Services Authority.

Toby is a nationally accredited mediator and a former Chair of the Queensland Law Society Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee.

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Elise Humpherys

Legal Professional
Development Executive,
Education, Queensland Law
Society



Elise is a senior educator with over 25 years' experience in the education sector. She served as an educator, deputy principal, principal, supervisor and advisor in schools and colleges, before moving into learning and development in registered training organisations and QLS.

Elise holds the qualifications of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Education, Master of Education (Technology), and is currently completing a Bachelor of Business/Bachelor of Laws online with the University of New England (UNE).

Elise is passionate about facilitating learning to support lawyers, through continuing professional development. She has a particular interest in education and health service provision in regional/remote Australia. Elise also has a particular interest in Work Health and Safety.

The Honourable Michelle May AM KC

Barrister, Queensland Bar;
Accredited Mediator and
Arbitrator



Michelle has more than 35 years of dispute resolution experience in family law; with 22 years serving as a Judge of the Family Court of Australia including the Appeal Division. She has been involved in many complex financial cases both as an advocate and at judicial level.

Michelle was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1993. She was the first barrister with a predominantly family law practice to achieve that level of seniority in Queensland. She has been involved in government and professional organisations relating to family law at state, national and international levels.

Michelle was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in the General Division in the 2017 Queen's Birthday Honours List in recognition of her significant service to law, judicial administration and professional associations.

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Tom Stodulka AM

Mediator & Conciliator,
Member, Queensland Law
Society Alternative Dispute
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Tom Stodulka graduated in law at Sydney University in 1974 and has specialised in mediation for over 28 years, having mediated over 5000 disputes throughout Australia ranging from workplace, restorative justice and historic abuse matters, family and estate law, multi-million-dollar commercial transactions, franchise disputes, and multi-party disputes involving remote indigenous communities.

Tom was the founder of the Queensland ADR Forum. He is an FDRP, has national accreditation in multiple countries. He is a coach and an assessor at several universities, the Australian College of Law, and the Resolution Institute. He mentors and supervises new and experienced mediators.

Tom is a member of the Australian Mediation Association, Northern Mediators, the Conflict Resolution Centre and a Director of the Australasian Dispute Resolution Centre.

In 2017 and 2019, he was nominated for the National Mediator of the Year Awards. He is a Fellow of Bond University and was awarded the Resolution Institute 2019 Mediator of the Year (Australasian Law Awards). In 2020, he was awarded Facilitator of the Year in the national ADR Awards.

In 2021, Tom was awarded an AM for significant service to the law, mediation and dispute resolution.

Erika Williams

Independent Arbitrator,
Williams Arbitration;
Member, Queensland Law
Society Dispute Resolution
Committee



Erika is an award-winning independent arbitrator with significant experience acting in some of Australia's largest disputes resolved through arbitration. Erika has acted as an arbitrator, tribunal secretary or counsel in commercial, construction and investment arbitrations under various arbitral institutions.

Erika is on the arbitrator panels of leading arbitration institutions and accepts arbitrator and tribunal secretary appointments.

Erika also provides consultancy services to in-house counsel and firms involved in arbitration.