

Briefing the expert: strategies and techniques

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Overview

Welcome to our comprehensive session on mastering the art of creating expert witness briefs. In the dynamic realm of law, the ability to succinctly and convincingly present complex technical information is paramount. Therefore, how you consider your client's legal issues and how you present your client's case to your expert carries with it enormous pressure and consequences. Join us for an engaging and enlightening workshop where you'll delve into the strategies and techniques that can elevate your drafting skills to new heights.

What to expect:

- In-depth insights: Gain a deep understanding of the critical components that make up an expert witness brief.
- Tailored techniques: Learn how to tailor your briefing approach to different types of experts and diverse legal contexts.
- Effective communication: Discover how to effectively bridge the gap between legal intricacies and technical complexities, ensuring seamless communication between lawyers and experts.
- Case studies: Dive into a real-world case study showcasing successful expert witness briefs that played a pivotal role in shaping trial outcomes.
- Interactive experience: Engage in hands-on exercises that challenge you to distil intricate concepts into clear and persuasive language.

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Presenters



Peter Travers

Barrister, Queensland Bar

Peter has a broad commercial practice with a particular focus on contractual and property disputes, building and construction matters, professional negligence, and corporate and personal insolvency. Peter is also briefed in family law and administrative matters.

Peter appears in all state and federal Courts and specialist tribunals and is also experienced in mediations. Peter has over 10 years of project management experience, including several commercial construction projects, which provides him a unique understanding of the matters in which he is briefed.

Prior to being called to the Bar, Peter practised as a litigation and dispute resolution solicitor in a leading mid-tier firm. Before coming to the law, Peter served as an officer in the Royal Australian Air Force for 15 years and continues to serve in a reserve capacity.



Jesse Hill

Senior Legal Professional
Development Executive,
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Jesse comes to the QLS from private practice, where he worked exclusively in commercial litigation. Prior to his time in litigation, he worked in the Queensland Public Service in highly pressurised roles.

Jesse is acutely aware of many of the challenges faced by the legal profession both in the private and public sphere. He now seeks to equip legal practitioners with the tools and knowledge they need to thrive in practice.