

Criminal Law track program

8 March 2024 | 5 hours | 5 CPD points

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Protected counselling developments



This session provides insights into the latest procedural developments related to Protected Counselling Communications (PCC) in Queensland.

Participants will gain an understanding of the existing sexual assault and counselling framework, including an exploration of the definitions and motivations underpinning current restrictions on accessing PCC material in criminal cases.

Presenter:

Brittany White, Principal, Fuller & White Solicitors; Member, Queensland Law Society Criminal Law Committee

Chair:

Bridget Cook, Senior Policy Solicitor, Queensland Law Society

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Immigration law for criminal lawyers



Immigration issues for criminal lawyers involve navigating the complex intersection of criminal and immigration law.

These cases often require an understanding of the potential immigration consequences of criminal charges, such as deportation, inadmissibility, or visa revocation, and require strategic legal defence to mitigate or avoid such consequences while addressing the criminal charges at hand.

Join our accredited specialists as they cover the essentials for practitioners in this space.

Presenter:

Victoria Lenton, Director and Principal Lawyer, Lenton Migration; Accredited Specialist (Immigration Law) – Qld; Deputy Chair, Queensland Law Society Migration Law Consulting Committee; Member, Queensland Law Society Access to Justice/Pro Bono Law Committee

Chair:

Nick Dore, Managing Principal, Fisher Dore Lawyers; Accredited Specialist (Criminal Law) – Qld; Member, Queensland Law Society Criminal Law Committee

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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:

Renaë Kirk, Barrister, Queensland Bar
Elise Sargent, Barrister, Queensland Bar

Chair:



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Rémy Kurz, Barrister, Queensland Bar

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DNA – We trust the "who" but the courts want to know "how"



With continued advancements in DNA, the justice system is increasingly asking science to determine "how" the DNA got there.

This session will walk you through a laboratory report to gain familiarity and discover areas for potential challenge. In addition, you will be introduced to new methodologies being implemented to address the question of "how".

Presenter:

Helen Roebuck, DNA Expert Witness, Roebuck Forensics

Chair:

Bridget Cook, Senior Policy Solicitor, Queensland Law Society

63 min

Critical updates: Legislative review



In this session we consider the changes brought about by the Criminal Law (Coercive Control and Affirmative Consent) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2023 (Qld) as well as other important legislative updates in your practice area.

Presenter:

Caroline Marco, Consultant Crown Prosecutor, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions

Chair:

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