

Program

101 min **Session overview**

AML/CTF obligations will come into effect on 1 July 2026 for solicitors providing 'designated services' as defined in the legislation. This session will look at:

- Timeframes – road map to compliance
- Designated services – are you in or out of the regime?
- Reporting entity obligations
- Governance – compliance roles within a practice
- AML/CTF Program – risk assessment, policies and processes, including staff (personnel) due diligence and training
- Client (customer) due diligence – client onboarding
- Reporting
- Recording
- FAQs

Presenters:

Matt Dunn, CEO, Queensland Law Society

Grace van Baarle, Director, Ethics and Practice Centre, Queensland Law Society

Wendy Devine, Manager, Legal Policy, Queensland Law Society



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Matt Dunn

Chief Executive Officer, Queensland Law Society

Appointed in March 2024, Matt was previously General Manager – Advocacy, Guidance and Governance for QLS. Originally joining QLS in 2005, he departed to take up a national policy leadership role with the Law Council of Australia in 2014, before returning to raise his family in Brisbane.

Matt's extensive industry experience places him in the unique position of having a strong understanding and insight into the issues affecting the modern profession. An advocate for ensuring practitioners have affordable and accessible resources to build and maintain their practice, Matt is proud to be in such a position of trust to guide and enable the profession.



Grace van Baarle

Director, QLS Ethics and Practice Centre, Queensland Law Society

Grace is the Director of the QLS Ethics and Practice Centre, which provides legal ethics and practice support guidance and education to the legal profession.

Grace was admitted as a solicitor in 1989 and was in private practice specialising in commercial property in both Brisbane and the United Kingdom.

Grace joined QLS in 2007 as the Dispute Management Centre Manager and Policy Solicitor, and for four years as the Business Development Executive. She is an ethics solicitor and has managed the QLS Ethics and Practice Centre and its team since 2016.



Wendy Devine

Manager, Legal Policy, Queensland Law Society

As Manager of the QLS Legal Policy team, Wendy works closely with the Society's policy committees to respond to law reform proposals on behalf of the Society and to develop policy positions on matters that affect members and the community.

Before joining QLS in 2016, Wendy worked in private practice and has a background in administrative law, statutory interpretation and major infrastructure projects for public sector clients.