

Personal Injuries Law

Friday 21 March 2025 | 5 hours | 5 CPD points

Care and assistance – assessment under legislation

This session will assist practitioners in gaining an understanding of the role occupational therapy has to play in value adding to claims on issues of loss of earning capacity and care and assistance claims. The presenters will give a practical guidance through the process and the legal principles underpinning these claims with a focus on the value adding occupational therapy evidence provides.

Presenter: **Christine Eloff**, Occupational Therapist, Prudence Consulting

Chair: **Matthew Holmes**, Barrister, Queensland Bar



Case Update: Year in Review

This session will provide a review of key personal injury cases from the past year highlighting legal developments, trends, wins and losses. It aims to provide insight into liability, damages and any notable shifts in personal injury law.

Presenter: **Nickelle Morris**, Special Counsel, Travis Schultz & Partners

Chair: **Beth Rolton**, Partner, Travis Schultz & Partners; Accredited Specialist (Personal Injuries Law) – Qld



Compulsory conferencing – managing client expectations

This session will delve into proven strategies to set clear expectations, navigate challenging conversations, and foster trust and transparency with clients. Gain practical tools to enhance communication, reduce misunderstandings, and exceed expectations.

Panellists:

Damien Atkinson OAM KC, Barrister, Queensland Bar; Nationally Accredited Mediator

Luke Murphy, Partner, MurphySchmidt Solicitors; Accredited Specialist (Personal Injuries) – Qld; Past President, Law Council of Australia; Deputy Chair, Queensland Law Society Accident Compensation & Tort Law Committee

Chair: **Eduardo Cruz**, Partner, CZ Injury Law; Member, Queensland Law Society Accident Compensation & Tort Law Committee



Mal Practiss – what not to do in a WorkCover claim

The return of Mal Practiss...

Step through a role-play in three acts, from an initial meeting with a client, Notice of Claim and post Compulsory Conference in the life of Mal Practiss, the solicitor you don't want to be. Refresh your knowledge of our professional framework including Court Rules, Legislation, Regulations and Australian Solicitors' Conduct Rules in a hypothetical workers' compensation claim.

Presenters:

Anna-Britt Kjellgren, Partner, Mullins Lawyers

Shane Lawlor, Senior Associate, Mullins Lawyers

Chair: **Cameron Seymour**, Partner, Mullins Lawyers; Accredited Specialist (Personal Injuries Law) – Qld; Member, Queensland Law Society Accident Compensation & Tort Law Committee



Living happily ever after... future economic loss and the upcoming challenges in quantifying them

Revisit *Todorovic v Waller* and *Malec v Hutton* through 21st century glasses, look at potential avenues for obtaining evidence to support an economic loss claim for those claimants with medium to long term losses; and consider other potential evidence which might influence courts in their assessment of future economic loss in future cases.

Presenters:

Stephen Hughes, Legal Practice Manager & Senior Counsel, Rin Kim Law; Accredited Specialist (Personal Injuries Law) – Qld

James Leggo, Senior Associate, Rin Kim Law

Chair: **Trent Johnson**, Partner & Brisbane Office Leader, Travis Schultz & Partners; Accredited Specialist (Personal Injuries Law) – Qld; Member, Queensland Law Society Accident Compensation & Tort Law Committee

