

Commonwealth Law Conference

23 February 2024 | Melbourne



Law Council
OF AUSTRALIA

*Federal Dispute
Resolution Section*

THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2024	
6.30pm – 8.30pm	<p>WELCOME DRINKS DANISH HOUSE, LEVEL 3, 428 LITTLE BOURKE ST, MELBOURNE VIC 3000</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Pip Mitchell, Executive Member, Federal Dispute Resolution Section</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u> Ms Georgina Schoff KC, President, Victorian Bar</p>
FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2024	
Time	BOURKE ROOM
8.00am	<p>REGISTRATION</p> <p>RACV CITY CLUB, 501 BOURKE STREET, MELBOURNE 3000</p>
8.30am	CONFERENCE STARTS
8.30am – 8.45am	<p>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY AND OPENING REMARKS</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Mr Greg McIntyre SC, President-Elec, Law Council of Australia</p>
8.45am – 9.15am	<p>FIRST ADDRESS</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u> The Hon Chief Justice Debra Mortimer, Federal Court of Australia</p>

Time	Room 1	Room 2	Room 3
9.30am – 10.30am	<p>AAT</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Mr Peter Woulfe, Chair, Federal Dispute Resolution Section</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u> The Hon Justice Emilios Kyrou AO, President, Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT)</p>	<p>CLASS ACTIONS</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Mr Ben Slade, Executive Member, Federal Dispute Resolution Section</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u> The Hon. Justice John Dixon, Former Judge, Supreme Court of Victoria Ms Kate Morgan SC, Barrister, Tenth Floor Chambers</p>	<p>APPEALS</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Ms Georgina Costello KC, Executive Member, Federal Dispute Resolution Section</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u> Mr Jeremy Ruskin KC, Barrister, Victorian Bar Mr Neil Young KC, Barrister, Victorian Bar</p>
10.30am	MORNING TEA		
11.00am – 12.00pm	<p>CURRENT CONTROVERSIES AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN STATUTORY INTERPRETATION</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> The Hon. Justice Catherine Button, Federal Court of Australia</p>	<p>CLIMATE CHANGE LITIGATION</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Ms Bronwyn Lincoln, Executive Member, Federal Dispute Resolution Section</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u></p>	<p>LEGAL TECH/AI</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Mrs Valerie Pereira, Executive Member, Federal Dispute Resolution Section</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u> Professor Julian Webb, Melbourne Law School, Melbourne University</p>

	<p><u>Speaker:</u> Mr Perry Herzfeld SC, Barrister, Eleven Wentworth Chambers</p>	<p>Mr Emrys Nekvapil SC, Barrister, Victorian Bar</p> <p>Ms Marita Hogan, Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC)</p>	<p>Ms Jennie Pakula, Victorian Legal Services Board + Commissioner</p>
<p>12.00pm - 12.30pm</p>	<p>DRINKS AND AWARD</p>		
<p>12.30PM - 1.30PM</p>	<p>SECOND ADDRESS</p> <p><u>Chair:</u> Ms Kate Slack, Executive Member, Federal Dispute Resolution Section</p> <p><u>Speakers:</u> The Hon Paul Le Gay Brereton SC, Commissioner, National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC)</p>		
<p>1.30pm - 3.00pm</p>	<p>LUNCH</p>		