

CPD Conference 2023

Exclusively for NSW Government solicitors and members of the NSW public sector.

Hear from CSO experts on the latest legal developments and key issues that impact NSW Government agencies.

Attend all sessions to earn 6 CPD units*, spanning 3 units in substantive law, and one unit in each of ethics and professional responsibility, practice management and business skills, and professional skills.



Tuesday 21 March
Wednesday 22 March
Thursday 23 March



9.30am to 12.30pm each day



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*Solicitors can claim 1 CPD unit for each hour of attendance at seminars relevant to their practice needs or professional development.

Program

TUESDAY 21 MARCH

9.25am to 9.30am

Crown Solicitor's welcome

Welcome and introduction by Karen Smith, Crown Solicitor.

9.30am to 10.30am

Government post-election

Understand the law, institutions, and conventions of government to be prepared for what happens after an election.

Presenters: Karen Smith, Crown Solicitor; James Monaghan, Senior Solicitor.

Chairperson: Karen Smith, Crown Solicitor

1 CPD unit: Substantive law.

11.30am to 12.30pm

Statutory interpretation

Explore significant issues in statutory interpretation including extraterritoriality, purposive construction, and powers of revocation.

Presenters: Sally Johnston, Senior Solicitor; James Monaghan, Senior Solicitor; David Nguyen, Principal Solicitor.

Chairperson: Michael Granziera, A/Assistant Crown Solicitor

1 CPD unit: Professional skills.

WEDNESDAY 22 MARCH

9.30am to 10.30am

Power to charge fees for the provision of services

Understand when agencies can charge fees when exercising functions and providing services.

Presenters: Alexandra Brown, A/Director; Courtney Raad, Senior Solicitor.

Chairperson: Michael Granziera, A/Assistant Crown Solicitor

1 CPD unit: Substantive law.

11.30am to 12.30pm

Mental health and promoting wellbeing for practitioners

A discussion of the implications of *Kozarov v Victoria* and tips for practitioners on managing mental health and wellbeing.

Presenters: Bruce Cantrill, Special Counsel; Christina Ray, A/Director; Patrick Mullane, Principal Solicitor; a consultant from FBG Group (organisational and employee wellbeing specialists).

Chairperson: Naomi Malhotra, Assistant Crown Solicitor.

1 CPD unit: Practice management and business skills.

THURSDAY 23 MARCH

9.30am to 10.30am

Handling sensitive information

Explore developments relating to information technologies, information security and privacy and their impact upon lawyers' responsibilities.

Presenters: Tram Nguyen, Senior Solicitor; Tony Chapman, Director, Cyber NSW; James Blakely, Director, IDSupport.

Chairperson: John McDonnell, Assistant Crown Solicitor.

1 CPD unit: Ethics and professional responsibility.

11.30am to 12.30pm

Climate change

A discussion of the rapid development of climate change litigation in the areas of tort, environmental and administrative law.

Presenters: Bruce Cantrill, Special Counsel; Andrew Bell, Senior Solicitor; Elsa Merrick, Senior Solicitor.

Chairperson: Karen Smith, Crown Solicitor.

1 CPD unit: Substantive law.