

9th Annual Family Law Summit

Expert insights and critical developments in family law
6 & 7 June 2012, Marriott Hotel Brisbane

Program highlights

- Explore national developments in family law with a keynote address by Peter Szabo
- Insights from the Bench: Learn what your documents say about you
- Old vs New: A comparison of the Family Violence and Abuse definitions
- Recognise how the 2006 "shared parenting" amendments have operated in practice
- Consider the future of financial agreements and the continuation of Part V111A of the *Family Law Act*
- Explore the changing face of mediation under the *Family Law Act* and current national initiatives to increase its use

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Speakers

- **Peter Szabo**, Partner, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Moores Legal
- **Prof Richard Chisholm, AM**, Adjunct Professor, ANU School of Law; Former Judge of the Family Court of Australia
- **Federal Magistrate Stephen Scarlett**
- **Graeme Page SC**, Barrister, Queensland Bar
- **Geoff Wilson**, Partner, Accredited Family Law Specialist, HopgoodGanim Lawyers
- **Brett Hartley**, Director, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Hartley Healy
- **Justine Ward**, Partner, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Cooper Grace Ward

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Wednesday, 6 June 2012

- 8:30 Registration
- 8:50 **Chair and Keynote Address: State of the nation in family law**
- Peter Szabo**, *Principal, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Moores Legal*
- 0.5 CPD/MCLE points in Professional Skills
- FEDERAL MAGISTRATES COURT PRESENTATION**
- 9:20 **Getting it right**
- What do your documents say about you?
 - Do you really want that order?
 - How not to make a mess of consent orders
 - The Telephone Trap
 - The Wrath of the Bench and how to avoid it
- Federal Magistrate Stephen Scarlett**
- 1 CPD/MCLE point in Professional Skills
- 10:20 **Surrogacy – traps for the unwary lawyer: A role play about prospective clients who have decided to go down the road to surrogacy**
- Working through the passage of the *Surrogacy Act 2010* (QLD)
 - What to do when things go wrong
 - Assist clients to obtain a parentage order
 - Comparison with interstate models
- Stephen Page**, *Partner, Harrington Family Lawyers*
- 1 CPD/MCLE point in Professional Skills
- 11:20 Morning tea
- 11:35 **Family discretionary trusts as matrimonial assets in property settlement matters**
- General concepts regarding the Family Court's treatment of assets held in Discretionary Trusts
 - A consideration of, and issues arising from, recent case law
 - Distinguishing and collating relevant evidence in relation to the categorisation and treatment of assets held in a Discretionary Family Trust
 - Taxation considerations
- Brett Hartley**, *Director, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Hartley Healy*
- 1 CPD/MCLE point in Professional Skills
- 12:35 **Case law update: An analysis of recent decisions emerging from the Federal Magistrates Court and Family Court**
- A snapshot of important decisions during the last 12 months covering issues such as:
- Relocation cases and international jurisdictional issues
 - Property division – the impact of *Stanford v Stanford* [2012] FamCAFC 1
 - Shared parental responsibility
- Justine Woods**, *Partner, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Cooper Grace Ward*
- 1 CPD/MCLE point in Professional Skills
- 1:35 Networking lunch for speakers and delegates
- 2:35 **Financial agreements: Dirty deeds done cheap – is it time to rethink our approach?**
- Background to poor lawyer behaviour
 - The Sydney/Melbourne/Brisbane lawyers experience and responses
 - The professional indemnity insurance response
 - Risk management and critical trigger points
 - The overseas experience: NZ, USA & UK
- Geoff Wilson**, *Partner, Accredited Family Law Specialist, HopgoodGanim Lawyers*
- 1 CPD/MCLE point in Practical Legal Ethics
- 3:35 Afternoon tea
- 3:50 **Family violence reforms: Changes to applications for Parenting Orders**
- Family Violence & Abuse definitions: Old vs New
 - Changes to s60CC – weight of primary considerations
 - Removal of the “friendly parent” provision
 - Impact on the prospects of shared parenting orders
- Chris Turnbull**, *Director, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Family Law Group Solicitors*
- 1 CPD/MCLE point in Professional Skills
- 4:50 **In focus: Interim relocation**
- Authorities/Statutory Framework
 - Preparation for hearing/evidence
 - Interim hearing appearance
 - Consideration of strategy for final hearing
- Michael Alexander**, *Barrister, Queensland Bar*
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- 5:50 Close of day one and networking drinks

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6 & 7 June 2012, Marriott Hotel Brisbane

Thursday, 7 June 2012

- 8:30 **Registration**
- 8:50 **Welcome from the Chair**
Peter Szabo, *Principal, Accredited Family Law Specialist, Moores Legal*
- 9:00 **The so-called “shared parenting” amendments of 2006**
- Background to the 2006 amendments
 - Outline of the legislative provisions
 - How have they operated?
 - Where next?
- Prof Richard Chisholm**, *AM, Adjunct Professor, ANU School of Law; Former Judge of the Family Court of Australia*
- 1.5 CPD/MCLE point in Professional Skills
- 10:30 **Morning tea**
- 10:45 **Critical analysis: the continuation of Part VIIIA of the Family Law Act and the future of financial agreements**
- Overview of the legislation
 - Recent influential Family Court decisions
 - What does all this mean?
 - Tips for ensuring the validity of your clients’ binding financial agreements
- Graeme Page SC**, *Barrister, Queensland Bar*
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DISCUSSION PANEL

- 12:15 **Issues and complexities for family lawyers – 10 year outlook**
- The rising relevance of indemnity costs being awarded by the Federal Magistrates Court and the Family Court
 - Elder Law issues
 - The status of interveners
 - Styles of registered relationships and the implications
- Nicholas Tucker**, *Barrister, Queensland Bar*
Dr Claudine Umashev, *Barrister, Queensland Bar*
Yulia Chekirova, *Barrister, Queensland Bar*
- 1 CPD/MCLE point in Professional Skills or
 - 1 CPD/MCLE point in Practice Management & Business Skills
- 1:15 **Networking lunch for speakers and delegates**
- 2:15 **The changing face of mediation under the Family Law Act**
- Studies about client satisfaction and dissatisfaction at mediation
 - A look at various mediation models being used – pros, cons and recent US studies
 - Interstate comparison – a look at what other Australian states are doing / not doing with mediation and the various models being used
 - Considering when mediators should step in and evaluate
- Peter Sheehy**, *Principal, Family Law Accredited Specialist, Peter J Sheehy Solicitors*
- 1 CPD/MCLE point in Practical Legal Ethics
- 3:15 **Afternoon tea**
- 3:30 **Civil partnerships and the legislation**
- What the *Civil Partnership Act 2011* does do and what it does not do
 - The differences between civil partnerships, de facto partners and other relationship structures
 - Risk management and drafting compliant civil partnerships and property agreements
 - Comparisons between Queensland and other jurisdictions
- Warwick Jones**, *Partner, Family Law Accredited Specialist, Jones Mitchell Lawyers*
- 1 CPD/MCLE point in Professional Skills
- 4:30 **Close of conference**

Who should attend?

Legal Practitioners of all levels of experience involved in Family Law including:

- Divorce Lawyers
- Accredited Specialists
- ADR Practitioners
- Barristers

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- Child Support Workers
- Family Law Mediators
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- Personal Property Securities 2012 – 14 June 2012 (NSW)
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- Wills and Estates QLD – 2012 – 11 & 12 July 2012

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