

Elder Law, Wills & Estates Program

Day 1 | Thursday, 28 August 2025 | International Convention Centre, Sydney

Time	Topic	Speakers
8.30am – 9.30am	Conference opening	Jacqueline Dawson Chair, Specialist Accreditation Board, The Law Society of New South Wales
	Presidential address	Jennifer Ball President, The Law Society of New South Wales
	Keynote address	The Honourable Andrew Bell Chief Justice of New South Wales
	Major sponsor	Kerrie Lalich Chief Executive Officer, Lawcover
9.30am – 10.00am	Morning tea break	
10.00am	Welcome by Chair	Adeline Schiralli Special Counsel, Southern Waters Legal
10.00am – 11.00am	Panel: Ageing, autonomy and advocacy, legal and medical perspectives on bias, risk and elder care	Josephine Pignataro (Moderator) Partner, HWL Ebsworth Lawyers
		Asheetha Jelliffe Partner, Bridges Lawyers
		Dr Michael Krasovitsky Medical Oncologist, The Kinghorn Cancer Centre – St Vincent's Hospital
11.00am – 12.00pm	War on Trusts III: The search for purpose	Craig Birtles Barrister, Two Wentworth Chambers
12.00pm – 12.50pm	Lunch break	
12.50pm – 1.50pm	No minor matter: Complexities in the appointment of testamentary guardians	Esterina Azzi Senior Associate, McCullough Robertson
1.50pm – 2.50pm	Estoppel: Review and update	Guy Moloney Partner, HWL Ebsworth Lawyers
2.50pm – 3.15pm	Afternoon tea break	
3.15pm – 5.15pm	Panel: Using video evidence to determine testamentary capacity: Risk or reward?	The Honourable Philip Hallen SC (Moderator) P. Hallen SC Mediation
		Simon Chapple SC Barrister, 13th Floor St James Hall
		Jennifer McMillan Manager, Practice Support Services, Lawcover
		Lucy McPherson Partner, Attwood Marshall Lawyers
5.15pm – 6.15pm	Networking reception	





Day 2 | Friday, 29 August 2025 | Live online

Time	Торіс	Speakers
8.30am	Welcome by Chair	Adeline Schiralli Special Counsel, Southern Waters Legal
8.30am – 9.30am	An Orwellian nightmare?	Sue Field Adjunct Professor, School of Law, University of New England; Adjunct Associate Professor, Centre for Law and Justice, Charles Sturt University
9.35am – 10.35am	Identifying common pitfalls in the two certainties in life – death and taxes	Lisa To Partner, Bartier Perry Lawyers
10.35am – 10.50am	Break	
10.50am – 11.50am	Testamentary trusts as an estate planning tool: Practical considerations, risks, and benefits	Timothy Morton Partner, Glass Goodwin
11.55am – 12.55pm	Granny flat arrangements: How to avoid (or minimise) the pitfalls and deal with the train wrecks	Richard McCullagh Solicitor
12.55pm – 1.00pm	Conference close	Adeline Schiralli Special Counsel, Southern Waters Legal

On-demand | Available from Friday, 29 August 2025

Time	Topic	Speakers
Available from 29 August 2025	Recent will construction cases	Monica Ross-Maranik Consulting Principal, Keypoint Law

