

2009

CORO

CONFERENCE OF REGULATORY OFFICERS

LPBWA

Perth | Western Australia

16 - 17 September

Kings Park Function Centre

finding a balance



WELCOME

On behalf of the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia it is my great pleasure to invite you to attend the 2009 Conference of Regulatory Officers, known as "CORO". As you will be aware, CORO is the annual gathering of the highest level participants involved in the regulation of the legal profession.

The Conference theme, "Finding a Balance", invites speakers and attendees to explore the initiatives that are currently underway relating to the National Legal Profession Reform Project, and to gather with their peers in the various regulatory areas to consider issues impacting on their operations and working towards further consistency across jurisdictions.

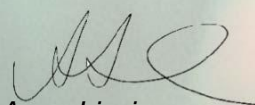
CORO 2009 has attracted a range of high profile participants and key-note speakers and, additionally, this year's CORO will have international input, with regulators from England & Wales and Canada contributing to the program. You will have opportunities to meet and network with colleagues from around the country and overseas at a range of fantastic social events.

The City of Perth has been chosen as the venue for CORO 2009, and the conference will be held in the magnificent setting of Kings Park Botanic Garden at Fraser's Function centre. Conveniently located 1.5km from the central business district and adjacent to the Swan River, Kings Park boasts outstanding views of the city, river and Darling Ranges and is Western Australia's most popular visitor destination.

The conference will coincide with the annual Kings Park Festival, a celebration of spring, with the spectacular wildflowers in full display and featuring live music, exhibitions and activities that delegates can enjoy between conference sessions. You may also choose to take advantage of your visit to Western Australia by extending your stay and taking in the delights of the Margaret River wine district, the unique marine life of the Ningaloo Reef, or the myriad of other spectacular attractions offered in Western Australia.

This beautiful time of year in Perth is our peak tourist season and hotels are booking out fast. (Please see our accommodation page for suggested hotels).

The Legal Practice Board of Western Australia is excited to be hosting CORO 2009 and we look forward to seeing you in Perth and welcoming you to all Western Australia has to offer.



*Anna Liscia
Chairperson
Legal Practice Board of Western Australia*

PROGRAM

Pre-conference meetings

Monday 14 September 2009

9.00am – 4.00pm Trust Accounts – Day 1

Hosted by Anna Young, Senior Trust Account Inspector, Legal Practice Board of Western Australia.
Meeting of Trust Account Investigators – discussions on general and national trust account issues.
Venue: To be advised

Tuesday 15 September 2009

9.00am – 4.00pm Trust Accounts – Day 2

Hosted by Anna Young, Senior Trust Account Inspector, WA
Venue: To be advised

Administrators of Australasian Law Admission Authorities

Hosted by Deb McDonald, Admissions & Registration Coordinator, WA

Meeting of Admission Officers & regulators.

Venue: Legal Practice Board of Western Australia,
Level 5 Kings Building, 533 Hay Street, Perth,



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Wednesday 16 September 2009 - Day 1							
8.30 am	Registration & Coffee / Tea						
9.00 am	Welcome from your Host Presenter: Anna Liscia, Chairperson of the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia Welcome to Country Presenter: Aboriginal representative of the Nyoongar people.						
9.15 am	Official Opening Presenter: The Hon Christian Porter MLA, Attorney-General of Western Australia						
9.30 am	State by State Round-up Presenter: A representative from each jurisdiction/regulator to speak briefly on major issues within their jurisdiction.						
10.15 am	Report from the Law Council of Australia: Presenter: John Corcoran, President of the Law Council of Australia						
10.30 am	Morning Tea						
10.50 am	Introduction to Concurrent Sessions: Presenter: Anna Liscia, Chairperson of the Legal Practice Board of Western Australia						
11.00 am	Concurrent Sessions <i>A sharing of information on issues of relevance and mutual interest within each stream.</i> <i>Note: Trust Accounts and Admissions streams are not included due to the preliminary meetings prior to the official program.</i> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Session 1:</th><th>Session 2:</th><th>Session 3: Practising Certificates</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td><ul style="list-style-type: none">Legal EducationContinuing Professional DevelopmentPractical Legal Training,Undergraduate Programs,Specialist Programs.</td><td>Complaints, Investigations & Discipline</td><td></td></tr></tbody></table>	Session 1:	Session 2:	Session 3: Practising Certificates	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Legal EducationContinuing Professional DevelopmentPractical Legal Training,Undergraduate Programs,Specialist Programs.	Complaints, Investigations & Discipline	
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12.30pm	Plenary Session <i>Reporting on Concurrent Streams:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Administrators of Australasian Law Admission AuthoritiesTrust Accounts GroupLegal Education Group, Complaints Group & Practising Certificates						

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1.15 pm	Lunch & optional park activity Enjoy a picnic lunch in the beautiful surrounds of Kings Park followed by an optional guided walk led by expert Botanic Garden and Parks Authority staff. Wander among the unique Western Australian flora and discover the glorious diversity of the plants to be found from the coast to the desert, from the rugged north to the southern forests.
2.15 pm	Keynote Address: <i>The future of regulating the legal profession: Is the profession over-regulated?</i> Presenter: The Hon Wayne Martin, Chief Justice of Western Australia
2.45pm	International Forum: <i>Trends in Regulating the Legal Profession – the UK and Canadian and Trans Tasman experience.</i> Panel Discussion: Guests include: Chris Kenny, Chief Executive, Legal Services Board of England and Wales Gordon Turriff QC, President of the Law Society of British Columbia
3.25 pm	Afternoon Tea
3.45pm– 4.30pm	Moderated Panel Discussion: <i>Regulation of the Legal Profession in the Corporate Environment</i> Alternative Business Structures <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Incorporated Legal Practices,▪ Multi-Disciplinary Practices,▪ Listed Companies, other structures.
6.00 pm	Conference Dinner Meet at Barrack Street Jetty, Perth City at 6.15pm sharp for river cruise to waterfront dinner venue. Sample some West Australian wines whilst cruising the Swan River to the elegant historic Old Swan Brewery for dinner.



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Thursday 17 September 2009 - Day 2	
8.30 am	Registration & Coffee / Tea
9.00 am	Keynote Address: Presenter: The Hon Robert McClelland MP, Federal Attorney-General
9.30 am	National Legal Profession Reform: <i>Progress of National Legal Profession Reform Project, the Taskforce and Consultative Group appointed by the Attorney-General to make recommendations and prepare draft legislation for uniform laws for regulation of the profession.</i> Panel Discussion Guests include: Bill Grant, Michael Lavarch & Ors.
10.30 am	Morning Tea
10.50	Keynote Address: <i>"Oversight regulation in the UK - Rationale, Progress and Challenges"</i> Presenter: Chris Kenny, Chief Executive of the Legal Services Board of the United Kingdom
11.20	Keynote Address: <i>"Self-Governance as a Necessary Condition of Constitutionally-Mandated Lawyer Independence in British Columbia"</i> . Presenter: Gordon Turriff QC, President of the Law Society of British Columbia
12.00	Group Discussion: <i>Setting of future directions for CORO</i> <i>Focus on outcomes and maintaining momentum for CORO activities.</i> Close & Handover to Host of CORO 2010.
1.00 pm	Lunch , Frasers Restaurant, Kings Park Please join us for a post-conference lunch served in the award winning Fraser's Restaurant

The Organising Committee will be updating and reviewing the conference programme regularly so as to ensure topicality and relevance to delegates. Please visit the conference webpage at www.coro.com.au for the latest news.



SPEAKER PROFILES

Chris Kenny (Chief Executive)



Chris Kenny is the inaugural Chief Executive of the Legal Services Board. His early career was in the Department of Health and the Treasury, where he held a variety of policy and management posts including Principal Private Secretary to the Secretary of State. As Ofcom's Director of Regulatory Policy and then Director of Compliance between 2000 and 2003, he worked on access and competition issues and worked with industry and consumer bodies to establish the Telecoms Ombudsman. Most recently, as Director of Life and Pensions for the Association of British Insurers, he led the industry's input into the work of the Pensions Commission and the Government's response to it and worked with Lord Hunt of Wirral on the independent review of the Financial Ombudsman Service. Chris has also held non-executive posts in the NHS and third sector.

The Honourable Wayne Martin



The Honourable Wayne Martin was appointed as Western Australia's 13th Chief Justice on 1 May 2006. He joined the Independent Bar in 1988 and was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1993. From 2001 – 2003, he took on the role of counsel assisting the HIH Royal Commission in Sydney.

The Chief Justice was President of the WA Bar Association between 1996 and 1999, and Chairman of the Western Australian Law Reform Commission from 1996 to 2001, when the commission completed the *Review of the Criminal and Civil Justice System in Western Australia*.

The Chief Justice was also a member of the Council of the Law Society of Western Australia, and was President of the Society when appointed to his current office.

In 2007, the Chief Justice was awarded WA Citizen of the Year for the Professions.

Gordon Turriff QC



Gordon Turriff, QC, is the President of the Law Society of British Columbia for 2009. The Law Society regulates the practice of law in British Columbia and therefore regulates all British Columbia lawyers. Its mandate as self-regulator is to uphold and protect the public interest in the administration of justice.

Mr. Turriff is senior counsel to Stikeman Elliott LLP at Vancouver. He effectively confines his practice to the law of costs, dealing with financial relationships between lawyers and their clients and costs of litigation. He was first elected a Bencher of the Law Society effective January 1, 2002. He is currently Chair of the Benchers' Executive Committee and of their Litigation and Appointments Subcommittees. He is a member of their Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee and is their representative on the Federation of Law Societies of Canada National Committee on Accreditation. He is also a member of the Benchers' Civil Justice Reform Task Force.

To mark the Law Society's 125th Anniversary in 2009, Mr. Turriff has embarked on a province-wide speaking tour to educate members of the public about the role of the Law Society in the community and about the rule of law, independence of lawyers and the need for self-governance of the legal profession.

GENERAL INFORMATION

If you need any further information about the conference or have any questions relating to the event or relating to the registration process, please visit our conference page on the CORO website www.coro.com.au or email our conference coordinator Julie Bain (jbain@lpbwa.com)

PRE AND POST CONFERENCE TOURING

Why not explore Western Australia and extend your stay to visit one of Perth's 19 sensational white sand beaches, tour the famous Margaret River wine region or take a day trip to Rottnest Island? Some valuable website to visit are:

www.westernaustralia.com.au
www.australiasouthwest.com

ACCOMMODATION

Arrangements have been made with www.perthhotels.com.au to offer delegates a range of discounted accommodation.

Contact 1300 900 900 to speak to a reservation agent and quote "CORO 2009".

We encourage you book your accommodation **as soon as possible** as September is peak tourist season and hotels are booking out fast.

Please note that delegates are responsible for their accommodation arrangements. The following information is provided as a guide only.

Crowne Plaza (4.5 star) (no. 69 on [map](#))
54 Terrace Road, Perth
Ph 08 9325 3811

\$210 – standard room - \$230 with breakfast

Somerset Perth (4 star) (no. 21 on [map](#))
185 St Georges Terrace, Perth
Ph 08 9226 3355

\$235 – studio deluxe open plan hotel room
\$260 – studio executive, open plan hotel room with lounge area

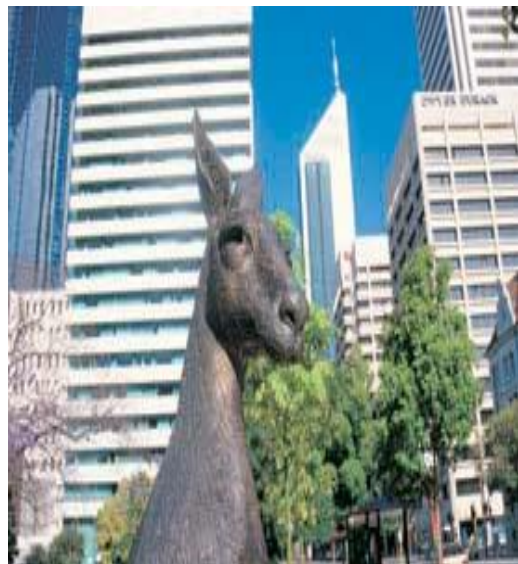
Medina Executive Barrack Plaza (4 star)
(no. 38 on [map](#))
138 Barrack Street, Perth
Ph 08 9267 0000

\$220 - standard 1 bedroom apartment (king or twin bedded apartment, full kitchen, combined lounge dining area & separate master bedroom and private balcony)

The Sebel Residence East Perth (4.5 star)
(no.73 on [map](#))
60 Royal Street, East Perth
Ph 08 9223 2500

\$195 - studio city view
\$205 - studio river view
\$265 - 1 bedroom city view
\$295 - 1 bedroom river view

Delegates staying on in Perth to attend the Law Council's Australian Legal Convention at Burswood Entertainment Complex (17-19 September 2009) may choose to stay at one of the following hotels located in Burswood: **InterContinental Perth Burswood, Holiday Inn Burswood, Great Eastern Motor Lodge**. A cab fare from Burswood to Kings Park costs around \$20 depending on traffic.



GENERAL INFORMATION

TRANSPORT

To and from the airport

Perth's domestic airports is located 16km South East of the city. Transfer time to the CBD by taxi takes about 20 minutes at a cost of \$25-\$30.

Perth Airport City Shuttle operates a 24 hour shuttle bus service between the airport and all city hotels for \$15.00.

Transperth bus route 37 operates between the domestic airport and St Georges Terrace in the Perth city centre. Buses depart from the airport approximately every half an hour during the day, and hourly after 6.00pm and all day Sunday. Transfer time is approximately 40 minutes and the adult fare price of \$3.50.

Getting around the Perth CBD

Within the Perth CBD, travel is easy and free! You can travel on any bus for free within the CBD and greater city area. You can either catch one of the of the three **Central Area Transport (CAT) buses (see map)**. OR any of the **Transperth buses**:



To Kings Park Conference Venue

Transperth bus route 37 operates to Kings Park, via St Georges and Adelaide Terraces (main street of Perth city) approximately every 15 minutes. Get on at any of the stops along the Terraces for a free ride to the conference venue at Kings Park.

Note: When boarding a Transperth bus, you will need to indicate to the driver that you are traveling within the Perth CBD and greater city area only, to ensure that you travel for free.

For more information regarding public transport, please contact the Transperth InfoLine on 13 62 13 or visit the Transperth website on www.transperth.wa.gov.au

Taxis

Perth is well served by meter operated taxi cabs with taxi ranks located throughout the Perth central business district. Cab fare costs include a flagfall charge of \$3.50 weekdays or \$5.10 in peak times, plus a distance charge of \$1.44 per kilometre. Surcharges may apply. A special taxi service for passengers with disabilities can be booked on (08) 9333 3377 - it is advisable to book 24 hours in advance for this service.

Swan Taxis - 13 13 30

Black and White Taxis - (08) 9333 3333

Independent Taxis - (08) 9375 7777



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CONFERENCE FEES

INCLUDES: all conference sessions, all morning and afternoon teas, lunches on 16 and 17 September & conference dinner Wednesday night 16 September.

If you register **by July 24, 2009**, the conference registration fee is \$450.00 (AUD)

If you register **after July 24, 2009**, the conference registration fee is \$500.00(AUD)

REGISTRATION

Family Name: _____	Street Address: _____
First Name: _____	_____
Organisation: _____	City: _____ Post Code: _____
Title: _____	Email: _____
Full name to appear on name badge: _____	Telephone: _____
_____	Mobile Phone: _____

PRE CONFERENCE SEMINARS AND MEETINGS

Please indicate which meetings you plan to attend:

Monday, September 14th

- Meeting of trust account officers – day 1

Tuesday, September 15th

- Meeting of trust account officers – day 2
 Meeting of Australasian Law Admitting Authorities

CONFERENCE DINNER

A Conference Dinner will be held on September 16, 2009. For catering purposes please indicate whether you will be in attendance.

- YES I will be attending
 NO I will not be attending

Additional persons may attend the Conference Dinner at a cost of \$120(AUD) per person.

Number of Additional Guests: _____ @ \$120 (AUD) = total cost: \$ _____

Names of Additional Guests: _____

SPECIAL NEEDS

If you have dietary or other needs, please specify:

Privacy: Do you agree to have your contact details included on the delegate list? *please circle* **Yes / No**

PAYMENT

Please provide your details below for conference fee payment:

By credit card: Please charge AUD\$ _____
to my (.....) VISA or (.....) Mastercard.

Card Number	_____
Cardholder Name	_____
Expiry Date	_____

If you do not wish to pay by credit card, please contact Ms Julie Bain at the Legal Practice Board on 08 6211 3600 for alternative options of payment.

Please send this form either **as an email attachment** to Julie Bain – jbain@lpbwa.com

or **fax** it to the attention of Julie Bain – 08 9325 2743