

Program highlights

- Applicants and ILUAs. A Barrister's overview of the Bygrave ruling
- Implications of Bygrave vs QGC: discussion panel
- Anthropological issues arising from succession claims
- Strategies for dealing with disaffected traditional owner groups and sub groups in Native Title negotiations
- Future Acts Regime and its application. An update from the bench
- Recent cases in the High Court, the Federal Court, and the State Supreme Courts regarding Native Title and Native Title holders
- Developing broader outcomes for Native Title claim settlements
- Native Title and the GST with income tax implications of Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs) and compensation payments to Native Title parties

Speakers

- The Hon. Justice John Logan RFD, Judge, Federal Court of Australia
- Kevin Murphy, Director of Claims Resolution, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Services, Department of Environment and Resource Management
- Professor David Trigger, Professor of Anthropology, Program Head, Anthropology, Deputy Head, School of Science, University of Queensland
- Richard Abraham, Senior Lawyer, Crown Law
- Shaz Rind, Principal Legal Officer, Queensland South Native Title Services
- Graham Hiley QC, Barrister, Queensland Bar
- Darryl Rangiah SC, Barrister, Queensland Bar
- Raelene Webb QC, Barrister, Northern Territory Bar

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Managing indigenous relationships

8:30 Registration

8:50 Introduction from the Chairperson

Perry Russell, Partner, Creevey Russell Lawyers

9:00 Applicants and ILUAs

- The Applicant and its members functions and duties
- Registration of duly authorised area ILUA where one member of the registered Native Title claimant refuses to execute the ILUA (QGC v Bygrave)
- Replacement of recalcitrant or deceased member of Applicant under Federal Court Rules or s 66B NTA? (Butchulla, Sambo, Lennon, Gudjala)
- Standing of registered Native Title claimant to seek declarations (Edwards v Santos)

Graham Hiley QC, Barrister, QLD Bar

1 CPD/MCLE point in professional skills

10:00 Morning tea

Discussion Panel

10:30 Implications of the *Bygrave vs QGC* decision

The Bygrave vs QGC decision has already made an indelible mark on Native Title law practise in Australia. You will hear from the two leading barristers who fought the case plus further input from Shaz Rind from the Queensland South Native Title Services. A descendant of the Yamatji Peoples of the Murchison region of Western Australia, Shaz has more than 10 years' post-admission experience in New South Wales and Western Australia in Native Title, commercial law, criminal law and anti-discrimination litigation. Barristers Graham Hiley and Darryl Rangiah are leading Native Title practitioners. Graham Hiley has appeared in many leading Native Title cases including Wik, Yarmirr, Yorta Yorta, Ward and Larrakia. Darryl Rangiah has a burgeoning Native Title practice, to which he brings his extensive experience in many high-profile administrative law and commercial cases.

Graham Hiley QC, Barrister, Queensland Bar Darryl Rangiah SC, Barrister, Queensland Bar Shaz Rind, Principal Legal Officer, Queensland South Native Title Services

1.5 CPD/MCLE points in professional skills

12:00 Networking lunch for speakers and delegates

Discussion Panel

1:00 Anthropological issues arising from succession claims

Native Title and cultural heritage are inexorably linked. This discussion will augment your understanding of Native Title law, lifting it from the purely legal to the anthropological. Succession claims are not mere legal processes and need to be understood in the context of the continual connection of indigenous Australians to their land.

Professor David Trigger, Professor of Anthropology, Program Head, Anthropology, Deputy Head, School of Science, **University of Queensland**

Richard Abraham, Senior Lawyer, Crown Law Raelene Webb QC, Barrister, Northern Territory Bar

1.5 CPD/MCLE points in practical legal ethics

2:30 Afternoon tea

3:00 Strategies for dealing with disaffected traditional owner groups and sub groups in Native Title negotiations

- Is compulsory acquisition of Native Title rights and interests an option?
- S31 agreement or ILUA?
- Meeting requirements for Registration of an Area ILUA
- Reviewing and reconciling legal authorities on the method of authorisation of ILUAs
- Proponents obligations after registration

Colin Hardie, Owner, Just us Lawyers

1 CPD/MCLE point in professional skills

4:00 Negotiating agreements and good practice skills

- There is no simple template
- · Negotiating for mutual benefit
- · Understanding cultural heritage management
- Common errors in approaching negotiation

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4:45 Closing comments from the Chair

5:00 Close of day one

Who should attend?

- Native Title law practice groups
- Indigenous representative bodies
- Indigenous law practice groups
- Mining law practice groups
- Planning and environment law
- Government lawyers, local and regional councils
- Civil & human right lawyers
- Mining, resources & energy company executives and in-house Counsel



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Day two: 14 July 2011

Legislation, policy and commentary

8:30 Registration

8:50 Welcome from the Chairperson

Scott Singleton, Partner, Minter Ellison

9:00 Future Acts Regime and its application

- · What is and is not a future act?
- Interaction between future acts and Native Title both before and after a Native Title determination
- Rights, remedies and responsibilities of registered Native Title claim groups and other land users.

The Hon. Justice John Logan RFD, Judge, Federal Court of Australia

0.75 CPD/MCLE point in professional skills

9:45 Recent cases in the High Court, the Federal Court, and the State Supreme Courts regarding Native Title and native title holders

- Edwards v Santos [2011] HCA 8
- FQM Australia Nickel Pty Ltd v Bullen [2011] FCAFC 30
- Queensland Construction Materials Pty Ltd v Redland City Council & Ors [2010] QCA 182

Gim Del Villar, Barrister, Queensland Bar

0.75 CPD/MCLE point in professional skills

10:30 Morning tea

11:00 Developing broader outcomes for Native Title claim settlements

- What is a broader settlement of a Native Title claim?
- What role do the interests of the parties play?
- Some examples of broader settlements
- Opportunities, constraints and making it happen

Kevin Murphy, *Director of Claims Resolution*, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Services, **Department Environment and Resources Management**

0.75 CPD/MCLE point in professional skills

11:45 Recent developments in the law regarding extinguishment of Native Title

- Legislation regulation v prohibition (Akiba v Queensland (2010), in relation to the right to take resources (of the sea) for commercial purposes)
- Public works and adjacent areas (Akiba v Queensland (2010))
- Mining leases (James (on behalf of the Martu People) v Western Australia (2010) and Brown (on behalf of the Ngarla People) v Western Australia (2010))
- Reserves (Western Australia v Sebastian (2008))
- Sections 47, 47A and 47B of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)

Helen Bowskill, Barrister, Queensland Bar

0.75 CPD/MCLE point in professional skills

12:30 Networking lunch for speakers and delegates

1:30 Native Title, the GST and income tax implications of Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs) and compensation payments to Native Title parties

- How compensation payments are structured setting the scene
- Tax and GST implications of ILUAs and compensation payments to Native Title parties
- Recent guidance from the ATO
- · Impacts on the structure of your agreements

Scott Singleton, Partner, Energy & Resources, Minter Ellison

Craig Bowie, Special Counsel, Tax, Minter Ellison

0.75 CPD/MCLE point in professional skills

2:15 Authorisation of ILUAs – alternative settlement processes and emerging partnerships

- Considerations relevant to the process for identifying people who may hold native title when authorising an ILUA
- ILUAs as part of alternative or 'broader' native title settlements
- The role of ILUAs in emerging carbon market opportunities (Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Bill 2011 (Cth))

Emily Gerrard, Senior Associate, **Allens Arthur Robinson**

0.75 CPD/MCLE point in professional skills

3:00 Afternoon tea

Discussion Panel

3:30 Indigenous employment schemes: making them work

Indigenous employment schemes are often spoken of in ILUAs but rarely acted on. This discussion will pull apart the processes and analyse the short fallings of previous schemes and provide practical solutions for successful follow through. Our Native Title experts will bring their collective experience and wisdom to this complex problem.

Dr. Jonathan Fulcher, Partner, Hopgood Ganim Margarita Escartin, Principal, Red Cliff Project Consultants

Craig Jones, Principal Adviser, Indigenous Affairs, Santos

1.25 CPD/MCLE points in professional skills

4:45 Closing comments from the Chair

5:00 Close of conference

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