



**VICTORIAN
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LAWYERS**

WOMEN IN NEW LAW

HOW NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND FIRM MODELS AFFECT WOMEN LAWYERS

PANEL DISCUSSION

Wotton + Kearney, in conjunction with the Victorian Women Lawyers, are delighted to host 'How New Technologies and Firm Models Affect Women Lawyers', a lively panel discussion moderated by Corinne Grant, with an esteemed panel including Heidi Nash Smith of Wotton + Kearney, Laura Vickers of Nest Legal, Meda Royall of Your Law Firm and Melissa Lyons of Hive Legal.

Our panellists will discuss different firm models and the benefits of transitioning from a 'big law' firm model to an alternative 'new law' firm model.

The panel will discuss the opportunities presented by the rise of new firm models as well as concerns regarding diminishing job security.

DATE: Monday 29 May 2017

TIME
12:45pm: Registration and light refreshments
1:00pm: Panel discussion

LOCATION
Wotton + Kearney
Level 15, 600 Bourke Street
Melbourne Victoria 3000

COST
Members: Free
Non-members: \$10

REGISTRATION
www.vwl.asn.au/events

PRESENTATIONS BY:



HEIDI NASH SMITH, WOTTON + KEARNEY

After successfully working in insurance law with W+K, Heidi followed her passion to practice in pro bono and corporate social responsibility and was appointed to partner of the firm's Community Footprint Program last year. Heidi is also a passionate advocate of supporting women and leads the firm's mentoring and development program.



LAURA VICKERS, NEST LEGAL

Laura is the founder of Nest Legal, Australia's first online after-hours law firm. Nest Legal home delivers wills and conveyancing services to busy parents, offering after-hours online conferences once her clients are home from work and the kids are in bed. Her firm has won several legal innovation awards. Laura also runs Newlaw Chambers, a private Facebook group of online and innovative lawyers supporting each other to practice law differently.



MEDA ROYALL, YOUR LAW FIRM

Meda is the Founder and CEO of Your Law Firm. Your Law Firm is an innovative business system driven by job satisfaction, autonomy and a healthy work- life balance. Practitioners are empowered to work when and where they want in their own businesses, with comprehensive back office support services, paperless systems, a recognisable brand image and a network of likeminded lawyers.



MELISSA LYON, HIVE LEGAL

Melissa is the business development consultant for Hive Legal. Hive Legal is a commercial firm, founded by a group of partners from large law firms who sought to redesign legal services and to remove barriers to effective, connected thinking. The firm makes use of new technologies to enable collaboration and flexibility.