

Victorian Women Lawyers Practice in Geelong: Pathways, Purpose, and Possibilities

VWL is proud to continue its commitment to engaging with lawyers in regional and suburban Victoria and to highlighting the diverse career pathways and practice possibilities available to women lawyers, including those from and/or based in regional or suburban areas.

Featuring female practitioners working in an impressive variety of legal roles, the panel will consider the multitude of employment pathways, unique benefits, challenges, and rewards, and the successes of female practitioners in Geelong.

All panel members currently work in Geelong and will facilitate a candid conversation with attendees about regional practice during this exciting panel discussion and networking evening.

DATE: Tuesday, 19 November 2019

LOCATION

Geelong Library and Heritage Centre
L51 Little Malop Street
Geelong VIC 3220

TIME

6.00pm: Registrations and light refreshments

6:30pm: Panel discussion commences facilitated by Victorian Women Lawyers Executive Committee members Marquita Nolan and Bonnie Phillips

7:30pm: Discussion and networking

COST

Members - Free

Non-Members - Free

RSVP -

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ANNE O'LOUGHLIN has practised exclusively in family law since 2005 and currently leads the Coulter Roache Family Law team as Principal in both the Geelong and Melbourne offices.

As a private family law practitioner, Anne has extensive experience resolving complex divorce, property, and parenting matters. Anne has also been appointed by Victoria Legal Aid as an Independent Children's Lawyer. Additionally, Anne is a member of the Ethics Committee at MacKillop Family Services and is on the Board of Lazarus Community Centre.



SHELLEY BUCHECKER is the Managing Lawyer at Victoria Legal Aid, Barwon Regional Office. Shelley predominantly practises in Children's Law and is a Law Institute of Victoria Accredited Children's Law Specialist. Shelley also sits on the Law Institute of Victoria Specialisation Committee.

Shelley began her career as a teacher before being admitted as a lawyer in 2005. Initially practising in a regional personal injuries firm, Shelley moved into the community legal centre sector before engaging in child protection work and then in private legal practice. Shelley has worked at Victoria Legal Aid since 2011 and has been in management at the Geelong office since 2015.



BRONWEN CHARLESON is the Director of Corporate Services at Geelong Grammar School. As a member of the school's Executive Team and Company Secretary, Bronwen leads the Legal, Risk and Compliance functions. Holding a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws from the University of Queensland, Bronwen worked in private practice in Brisbane, London and Geelong before moving to her in-house role in late 2018. Bronwen enjoys the challenges of a varied and busy legal environment within Australia's largest co-educational boarding school.



JAZ GODDARD is a personal injuries Associate with Maurice Blackburn in Geelong primarily acting for injured workers. She is a Law Institute of Victoria Accredited Specialist in Personal Injuries law and holds a Bachelor of Arts and a Masters of Law (Juris Doctor).

Jaz is originally from Melbourne but relocated to her adoptive hometown of Geelong in 2015 after having practised in regional areas since 2010.

