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DIVERSE LEGAL CAREER PATHWAYS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

2022 has been couched as the 'year of the job boom', the pandemic having changed the global workforce and put the power into the hands of jobseekers. Never has it been such an exciting and dynamic time for legal professionals in the public sector to strategise about the roles and job design that will maximise their potential!

Join us for breakfast and an exciting panel discussion with women leaders in law who come from diverse public sector backgrounds and have navigated non-linear legal career pathways.

Led by our exceptional keynote speaker, **Kylie Kilgour**, Acting Deputy Commissioner, IBAC, our Panel will be tasked with sharing their experiences about the diversity of work in the public legal sector, ways of translating skills and experience into new and exciting opportunities and practical ways of identifying and accessing the plethora of career pathways in the public sector.

DATE

Wednesday, 31 August 2022

TIME

7.30am - 8.30am

COST

Free for VWL members

\$15 for non-members

Tickets are limited and registration is required

LOCATION

Level 27, 121 Exhibition Street, Melbourne

This event will be live streamed

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Keynote Speaker
Kylie Kilgour
Deputy Commissioner
IBAC

Kylie Kilgour is currently a Deputy Commissioner at the Independent Broad-based Anti-corruption Commission (IBAC), primarily focussed on its police oversight functions. In 2019 & 2020 Kylie was the CEO of the Royal Commission into the Management of Police Informants. From 2006 to 2018 she worked at the Department of Justice and Community Safety on a wide range of justice reform projects, including in relation to the legal profession, civil justice, court programs, family violence and the criminal justice system. Prior to joining the Victorian public service, Kylie worked in community legal centres in NSW and legal aid in the UK. She has a Bachelor of Arts/Law from the University of NSW and was admitted to practice as a legal practitioner in 2001.

Our Panellists



Natalie Plumstead is a Managing Principal Solicitor, Advisory in-house with the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions (DJPR) leading a team of expert advisory lawyers. The advisory team helps deliver the COVID economic recovery. She was previously a Senior Parliamentary Counsel with the Office of the Chief Parliamentary Counsel of Victoria. As a later lawyer Natalie transitioned to being a government lawyer from a successful career as a Project Architect.



Pip Mitchell is a Partner at Clayton Utz. Her technical expertise in public and administrative law, statutory interpretation and compliance, and freedom of information has come from considerable experience advising, acting (and appearing) in judicial review proceedings in State and Federal courts and tribunals. Pip shares her knowledge with clients in valuable workshops offered through the Clayton Utz Training Program.



Humaira (Maira) Dad is the in-house Legal Counsel at Western Health. Maira has experience advising on a range of matters including on commercial contracts, intellectual property, patient management and privacy and freedom of information disputes. She completed an honours thesis in consumer law, igniting a strong passion for regulatory change and compliance. Prior to starting her in-house journey, Maira worked in family law and commercial law in a generalist firm.



The event will be moderated by **Jessica Fitzgerald**, a Solicitor working on Royal Commissions at the Victorian Government Solicitor's Office, including the Nation's first Yoorrook (Truth) and Justice Commission. She joined the VGSO after five years in project management and corporate governance in Financial Services. Jessica is also a Committee Member of the Women in the Public Sector committee within VWL.

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