

2015 Cross Examination Workshop

The New Barristers' Committee is conducting another workshop for juniors to further hone their advocacy skills. This year's (free) cross-examination workshop will be held in February-March 2015.

The workshop is designed to develop advocacy skills generally and is relevant to both civil and criminal practitioners. It is being provided solely for junior practitioners, i.e. barristers with less than 6 years experience at the NSW Bar.

What does the workshop involve?

Form a group with your peers (say 4 barristers) and register for the workshop. If you are not able to form a group, feel free to register for the workshop and we will assist you in forming a group. You will receive an email containing the materials to be used for cross-examination demonstrations to be held on 23 March 2015.

Monday 23 February 2015

Seminar in the Bar Association Common Room starting at 5.15pm. The seminar will discuss cross-examination technique. The speakers will provide guidance on cross-examination in an open and relaxed forum, with questions from the floor. The speakers are Pat Griffin and Kate Morgan.

24 February - 20 March 2015

In your group, decide on a mutually convenient time for you all to meet and conduct the mock cross-examination (for about 20 minutes each), with each person taking it in turns to be the witness and then examiner. Participants are encouraged to invite a more senior member from one of their floors to attend the mock cross-examination, to provide additional comments and feedback.

Monday, 23 March 2015

There will be a mock trial demonstration of cross-examination technique. The presiding judge will be Justice Ian Harrison. The advocates will be Graham Turnbull SC (Barrister, Forbes Chambers) and Penny Wass SC (Barrister, Sixth Floor, Selborne/Wentworth Chambers).

To register your interest in the New Barristers' Cross-Examination Workshop, please contact Bali Kaur (bkaur@nswbar.asn.au OR 9229 1722).