

# The Australian Bar Association Training Council

# Appellate Advocacy

18 - 20 September 2015, Sydney

The Australian Bar Association would like to invite 24 barristers, with a minimum of 8 years' experience at the private Bar, to join 30 Federal Court and Supreme Court judges and senior members of the Australian Bar on a three day Excellence in Appellate Advocacy workshop.

# **Description**

The ABA's Appellate Advocacy workshop follows the same successful and popular teaching philosophy as their Advanced Trial Advocacy Course.

The workshop is based on a realistic brief that barristers prepare and then perform in real court settings before appellate judges. Participants are required to fully prepare the matter and file submissions in advance. At least three days preparation is required.

Performances are recorded in-court and then reviewed privately with senior members of the Australian Bar. The judges and Senior Counsel provide suggestions for improvement in a supportive, professional environment.

The focus is to enhance the ability of each barrister to craft comprehensive yet concise written submissions, construct and present persuasive arguments and engage effectively with the bench.

This provides the perfect opportunity to get some genuine feedback and ideas on being a better appellate advocate. The course is ideal for barristers who wish to appear regularly in appellate courts. The cross-section of views from experienced judges and Senior Counsel is invaluable.

## **Summary**

- To be held in the Federal Court of Australia, Sydney.
- Three day, non-residential.
- The cost of the course is \$2,300 (GST inclusive) including materials, lunches and Saturday dinner. However this does not cover flights or accommodation.

To reserve a position, please forward the attached registration form with a deposit of \$750.

## Some comments from past participants

This was an outstanding course.

I learnt a number of very practical matters about oral and written submissions, engaging with the court and what appellate judges (most likely) want to hear.

It was a great course, very worthwhile indeed.

I liked the way that we were asked to argue both sides. It takes some doing to re-configure your advocate's bias, but it is an immensely useful exercise.

More detailed information can be found on the ATC website, www.advocacytraining.com.au Should you have any queries please feel free to contact Kelsey Rissman, the ATC Coordinator, by telephone (07) 3238 5100 or email kelsey@qldbar.asn.au

Return the completed form and payment to ATC Coordinator, Kelsey Rissman:

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#### TAX INVOICE

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TOTAL COURSE COST IS \$2,300

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The balance of \$1,550 is due on or before 17 July 2015. If you do not provide full payment by 17 July 2015 the ABA reserves the right to cancel your registration, in which case you will forfeit your deposit. The cost of the course is GST inclusive.

#### Withdrawal and transfer policy

If, for any reason, you withdraw from the course after payment of the balance, the balance will be refunded only if you arrange for your vacant position to be filled by another suitable barrister on or before 31 July 2015.

After 31 July 2015, no monies will be refunded if you withdraw, and no transfers of your registration will be accepted. In the event that the course is not fully subscribed, the ABA reserves the right to cancel the course. In this event, all monies, less a reasonable amount to cover administrative costs, will be refunded.

#### **Privacy statement**

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