

# 2016 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 2016.

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 Monday 21 March 2016.

### Monday 22 February 2016

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 Maria Cinque SC and Kara Shead.

#### 23 February - 20 March 2016

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, 21 March 2016

There will be a mock trial demonstration of cross-examination technique starting at 5.15pm in Banco Court, Level 13, Law Courts Building, Queens Square. The presiding judge will be Hon Justice Elizabeth Fullerton, Supreme Court of New South Wales. The advocates will be Peter McGrath SC (Crown Prosecutor, Crown Prosecutors Chambers) and Julia Baird SC (Barrister, New Chambers).

To register your interest in the New Barristers' Cross-Examination Workshop, please contact Tessa Goodman (tgoodman@nswbar.asn.au OR 9229 1749).