



# R v Milat: A Case Study in Cross-Examination

Dan Howard

A study in the art of cross-examination

This book presents the actual transcript of the Crown Prosecutor Mark Tedeschi QC's cross-examination of Ivan Milat at his trial for the notorious series of murders that became known as the *Backpacker Murders*.

The author has extensively annotated the transcript with comments that provide insights into the techniques of advocacy used by the cross-examiner in this singular case study of the art of cross-examination.

This book also provides background to the case and reproduces numerous plans and photographs that were exhibited in the trial, to enable the reader to closely follow the unfolding of this dramatic courtroom encounter.

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