

WORKSHOP ON ADVOCACY

Two Saturdays: 2 & 9 November 2024

Venue: Local Courts at Downing Centre, 143-147 Liverpool Street, Sydney
Time: 8.45am for 9am - 4pm

Importance of Advocacy in Legal System

Advocacy is one of the cornerstones of the adversarial system of justice. The art of persuasion is an evolving skill, which is refined over time as experience and practice chart the course of one's career.

Advocacy is not confined to oral communication. It resides as much in written submissions as it does in oral delivery. Often, it transcends the boundaries of presentation and enters the domain of etiquette, technique, diligence, professional responsibility and candour.

This workshop is designed to enhance one's persuasive streak, with strategies to steer negotiations, influence decision makers and effectively achieve positive outcomes.

The Objectives of the Workshop

Participants will be taught by experienced judges, magistrates and advocates using real case examples of both the theory and practical aspects of the core skill of advocacy including:

1. Art of Persuasion

- what is advocacy;
- the attributes;
- know your audience;
- communication;
- strategy;
- tribunals/courts;
- persuading tribunals/courts;
- oral advocacy;
- non-verbal communication.

2. Cross-Cultural Awareness and

Communication in our changing society

3. Practical workshop will cover the following:

- preparation;
- oral advocacy;
- generally: opening and closing address;
- examination in chief;
- cross examination;
- re-examination;
- Closing Address

4. Written Advocacy

Advocacy performances will be video-recorded and on the spot feedback on participants' performance will be provided about delivery style.

Coaches for the Workshop

TLC has secured a team of brilliant people* to guide the workshop which will be coordinated by Mr Greg Laughton SC.

*Disclaimer: while the following have confirmed their availability and willingness to coach the participants, TLC cannot guarantee that all the following Coaches will be in attendance on one or both days, due unforeseeable circumstances.

Greg Laughton SC Barrister (Coordinator)

The Hon Justice Francois Kunc
NSW Supreme Court

The Hon Justice Dina Yehia
NSW Supreme Court

His Honour Deputy Chief Magistrate Theo Tsavdaridis

Her Honour Magistrate Vivien Swain
Patrick Griffin SC Barrister

James Glissan AM ESM KC Barrister

Cameron Jackson Barrister

David Jordon Barrister

On Saturday 26 November 2022, the Hon Philip Ruddock AO, launched a

CROWDFUNDING APPEAL

for the construction of the Justice Margaret Beazley Centre

Tax deductible donations toward this appeal can be made to:

Toongabbie Legal Centre's Justice Margaret Beazley Centre Building –

St George Bank – BSB: 112-879 – Account: 495 773 012

REGISTER NOW

Registration includes welcome breakfast, coffee/tea; morning coffee/tea; buffet lunch and afternoon tea/coffee.

Course Fees:

Registration \$1,200 pp

Registration Group of 5 or more \$950pp

TLC volunteers & full time employees at CLCs

Registration \$500 pp

*conditions apply

Refund Policy: No refund

UPCOMING EVENTS

Seminar on Criminal Law

Friday 1 November 2024

SAVE THE DATE

17TH Annual Community Fundraising Dinner

Saturday, 19 October 2024

Venue: Bowman Hall, Campbell Street, Blacktown

Early Booking at \$120 will commence

1 May 2024 and close on 10 October 2024.

Late Bookings at \$150 and Door Sales \$200.

For bookings:
events.humanitix.com/tlcdinner
or scan QR Code



REGISTRATION FORM (Advocacy Workshop, Saturdays 2 & 9 November 2024)

You can also register on line at: www.tlc.asn.au

Name: Mr Mrs Ms Miss Dr Prof _____

Phone (day): Work: _____ Home: _____ Mobile: _____

Address: _____ Suburb _____ Postcode _____

Email: _____ Barrister Solicitor Other _____

PAYMENT METHODS (please tick)

1. On-line Registration with Credit Card details

2. EFT: Toongabbie Legal Centre Inc (General Account) – BSB: 112 879 Account: 068 469 489

3. Payments by cheque:

Enclosed cheque for: \$ _____ payable to: **Toongabbie Legal Centre Inc. (TLC)**, PO Box 232, Toongabbie NSW 2146

* Receipts will be issued for all payments

Toongabbie Legal Centre (TLC) & GambleAware

TLC is an unfunded legal centre located in the heart of Western Sydney since 2007. TLC offers free legal advice to individuals experiencing barriers to legal access.

TLC is in its seventeenth year of providing legal advice and assistance to vulnerable and disadvantaged people.

We place great importance on empowering the community through legal education and support.

TLC has learned Western Sydney contributes to two-thirds of Sydney's gambling losses with serious impacts on the 'individual, families and communities'*.

TLC affirms GambleAware's purpose to work towards zero gambling-related harm in NSW through research, education and support for individuals and communities.

Toongabbie Legal Centre

TLC continues to support the community from St Anthony's church on Thursday (6:00pm – 9:00pm) and Saturday (9:00am – 1:00pm).

Blacktown Legal Centre (TLC's outreach service)

This year BLC reopened in Blacktown from ACU Blacktown campus on Thursday (6:00pm – 8:30pm) and Saturday (10:00am – 1:00pm).

What's gambling really costing you?

Gambling is a normal activity for some people. It might be a bit of fun with friends, a weekly lottery ticket, or a day at the races. However, for some people, gambling can become harmful. Gambling can come at a high cost including financially, emotionally and personally leading to a breakdown of family and relationship.

How do I know if gambling is a problem?

If gambling is causing stress or anxiety, it might be a sign that it's a problem. Other signs are:

- Feeling guilty, anxious or depressed about gambling
- Losing control of how much time or money is spent on gambling
- Withdrawing from family and friends
- Trying to win back losses
- Borrowing money or selling valuables to gamble
- Falling behind with bills or signing up new credit cards
- Thinking about gambling every day
- Lying about gambling

*See website for details.

You can be gamble aware and gamble more safely.

You can build safeguards into your gambling with tried-and-true strategies such as:

- Get a handle on how you gamble
- Set limits on how much you bet
- Make sure you're informed
- Have a game plan
- Don't get caught up in the moment
- Use social support
- Get balance in your life
- If you need help, ask. Help is close at hand.

Take a break and ban yourself

A good way to take control is deciding to block, ban or bar yourself (also called self-exclusion) from gambling. Self-exclusion can help if you want to cut down, have a break or quit for good. You choose the locations or websites that you know present risks for you – a venue, the section of a venue where there's gambling (say, the gaming room), or an online betting service – and you say how long you want to opt out. It might be temporary or permanent. It's your call.

How can you have a conversation about gambling?

It takes courage and commitment to support someone struggling with gambling on their journey to change. Although you're an important part of this process, remember it's your friend or loved one who has to take responsibility for their own gambling.

Supporting employees who have gambling issues

Workplaces have a responsibility to take care of health and safety at work. It might seem like common sense that gambling in the workplace is banned but having a clear policy can help reduce the impact.

Supporting a workmate who may have gambling issues

Do you have a colleague who gambles in the workplace? Do you think they may be struggling with gambling? Check out your workplace gambling policy so you understand what your obligations are. Your employer has a duty of care.

Accessing Support

No matter how you're affected by gambling - your own or someone else's - GambleAware can help. It's never too late to get help – you can reach out today. For free, confidential advice and support, and to find services near you, visit gambleaware.nsw.gov.au or call us on 1800 858 858. GambleAware can also arrange for you to speak to a professional GambleAware counsellor who either speaks your language or knows your culture.

Young people's use of gambling-like products

The NSW Youth Gambling Study 2020** explored gambling and simulated gambling by young people aged 12-17 years in NSW. It found that participation in simulated gambling (gambling-like products)² by young people is widespread and that it appears to be increasing. The most popular forms of gambling were informal private betting, scratchies or lotteries, bingo and keno. However, a quarter of the young people who had gambled in the past year had gambled online. The most common way they gambled online was by using a parent's account with their permission.

Parents and carers can have the greatest influence on children's attitudes and behaviours towards gambling. Many parents believe that gambling is harmless fun and don't set any rules about gambling. This normalises the behaviour and can lead to their child experiencing gambling harm in adulthood.

Here some practical tips for parents and carers to protect young people from gambling harm:

- Be a good role model
- Explain how gambling works
- Discuss how gambling advertising works
- Play your child's video games
- Limit the amount of online screen time
- Don't allow your children to use your credit card
- Adjust your online security and ad settings
- Blocking access to gambling websites
- Activate parental controls

GambleAware

Blue Mountains & Western Sydney
gambleaware.nsw.gov.au
1800 858 858

*Nance, T. (2023), Paying the Price: gambling related harm in Western Sydney, Centre for Western Sydney.

**Hing N, Russell A, King D, Rockloff M, Browne M, Greer N, Newall P, Sproston K, Chen L and Coughlin S (2020) NSW Youth Gambling Study 2020. Sydney: NSW Responsible Gambling Fund 'Funded through the Community Benefit Payment Scheme'

Our Vision

With huge population increases and many new migrants and refugees settling in the Toongabbie – Seven Hills – Blacktown area, our vision is to establish full-time free legal services for vulnerable and disadvantaged persons people.

Susai Benjamin

Principal Solicitor & Honorary Chief Executive Officer

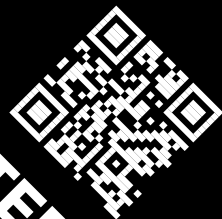
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