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Miranda Moody – has been a barrister at Forbes Chambers for 12 years, working almost exclusively in criminal law and appearing frequently in the Local, Children’s and District Courts. She has also been an associate to District Court judges and has worked as a television presenter, a newspaper photographer and a personal assistant to the late artist Brett Whiteley.

Greg Elks – has managed his own law firm in Sydney for the past 15 years and previously worked at Legal Aid NSW and the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (NSW). He began his career as a police officer in 1979 and first appeared at the bar table as a police prosecutor in 1988.

Ian Rodgers – has been a criminal lawyer for nearly 20 years, including the past three years as solicitor in charge of Legal Aid’s Newcastle office. He has also worked for the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT), been a policy officer for the Department of Justice and was an associate to former District Court judge William Knight.

Fiona McCarron – has worked in criminal law since 2000. Most recently, she has been a managing solicitor in Legal Aid’s Inner City Local Courts office, where she has also acted as solicitor in charge. She has appeared in the Local, District and Supreme Courts. Before joining Legal Aid in 2002, she spent two years in the District Court as an associate to her Honour Judge Robyn Tupman.

Stephen Olischlager – has 32 years of experience in the Local Court. Since 2009, he has been an Assessor in the Local Court’s Small Claims Division. He has also served as a registrar and coroner and worked for the Department of Justice in developing policy and legislation, including the *Coroners Act 2009*, the *Civil Procedure Act 2005* and *Uniform Civil Procedure Rules*.