

**Family Law**  
**Sub-Committee Meeting**

**Meeting date:** 10 July 2023

**Time:** 6:15 to 7:15pm

**Venue:** 70 Pitt St, Sydney CBD  
& Microsoft Teams [[link here](#)]

**Attendance:** **17 in total**

**In-person: 8**

- Sarah Yigit (Chair)
- Jessica Morris (Vice Chair)
- Christian Knox
- Echo Huang
- Moonira Mamoon
- Georgia
- Sandra
- Antonella Sanderson

**Online: 9**

- Tylah Coskerie (Secretary)
- Chris Alchian
- Ashleigh Taylor
- Bradley -Bell and Johnson
- Peter Frick
- Jarah M  
Jodie Sheen
- Maria Gomes
- Mina Abdelsayed

**Apologies: N/A**

## Minutes

No	Item
<b>1.</b>	<b>Opening</b>
1.1.	Acknowledgment of country
1.2.	Icebreaker: What is a tip you took or want to add to that session (CLE by Legalwise)
<b>2.</b>	<b>Guest Speaker (if applicable)</b>
2.1.	Antonella Sanderson, Family Law Matters. Presenter in Legalwise session. Participated as a guest in the Family Law Sub-Committee meeting. .
<b>3.</b>	<b>Sub-Committee / Sub-Committee Officer Reports</b>
3.1.	Family Law Practitioners Guide - overview from Sarah for new members. Decided to wait until after amendments passed to slightly amend then publish. Currently at review stage prior to making any substantial amendments pending the Family Law Amendments being dealt with in Parliament.
3.2.	Submissions Working Group - Senate Committee due to report back Mid August. Chair provided thanks to our submissions coordinators for hard work on submissions.
3.3	Mid Year Assembly Report (Tylah) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heard from all sub-committees, really good ideas for engagement. Our sub-committee seems to have high engagement.</li> <li>• Most generally having issues with attendance and engagement.</li> <li>• New submissions handbook drafted and soon to be published.</li> <li>• Executive council buddies being allocated to sub-committees soon.</li> </ul>
<b>4.</b>	<b>Matters for Discussion</b>
4.1.	<p>Standing Items:</p> <p>Federal Circuit and Family Court and/or Law updates - Members invited to share any updates they have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New filing fees, check the court website to ensure you have advised clients of updated fees from 1 July.</li> <li>• Judicial Mediation, experiences. Members finding them successful.</li> </ul> <p>CPD Issues - Members are invited to suggest topics/issues - NIL</p> <p>Ethical Issues - Members are invited to raise any issues of concern - NIL</p>

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4.2	Without Prejudice Discussions Significant portion of the meeting was spent on WP discussions.
<b>5.</b>	<b>Matters for Mention</b>
5.1.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. LegalWise are currently running an Instagram competition to win a 10-Point CPD Package. Like other Instagram competitions, the requirements are to like the post, follow the page, and tag friends/share a story for further bonus entries.</li> <li>2. Secure your place at the Law Society's Annual Conference 2023 Super Early Bird ticket by clicking <a href="#">here</a>. Act quickly as the offer ends on 30 June 2023.</li> <li>3. Next installment of the Family Law 101 series is on 14 August 2023 prior to our next meeting where we will be hearing from Chris Ardagna on Div7A and other tax implications in family law proceedings.</li> <li>4. Excited to announce the Family Law Sub Committee will be hosting our flagship event "Confidence in the Courtroom" this year at the Sydney Registry of the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Division 1 and Division 2) on 7 October 2023. Further details to follow.</li> </ol>
<b>6.</b>	<b>Conclusion</b>
6.1	Next Meeting is on 14 August 2023 from 6.15 to 7.15pm online and in person at 70 Pitt St, Sydney CBD