



FOI and Privacy Forum 2017

19 May 2017 – Hyatt Hotel Canberra

Commonwealth agencies deal with freedom of information (FOI) requests and privacy issues on a daily basis. It is essential for anyone responsible for ensuring compliance with FOI and privacy obligations to have a detailed working knowledge of the practical operation of relevant laws, be aware of recent developments relating to these laws, and understand the nature and effect of legislative changes.

This forum will provide an overview of the current state of play under Commonwealth FOI and privacy laws, focusing on recent and emerging themes relating to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* and the *Privacy Act 1988*, as well as to provide contextual discussion on the interplay between FOI and privacy laws, other Commonwealth laws and meeting legal and policy objectives.

Keynote speakers include:

- Timothy Pilgrim PSM *Australian Information Commissioner and Australian Privacy Commissioner*
- Dr James Popple *Senior Member, Administrative Appeals Tribunal*
- Associate Professor Rick Snell *Faculty of Law, University of Tasmania*

Our skilled AGS speakers will draw on practical examples and analyse the day-to-day impacts of the matters under discussion.

AGS forums are provided specifically for Australian Public Service officers.

AGS has been at the forefront of developments in FOI and privacy since the enactment of these laws and has been advising on FOI and privacy matters for many years. We have been involved in numerous high-profile FOI cases and regularly prepare and deliver detailed FOI and privacy training courses for agencies. Our lawyers have had significant input into recent privacy law reforms and are currently advising and working with a range of agencies to prepare for these significant changes.

This forum will be presented in Canberra only.

Details

Date	Friday 19 May 2017
Time	9 am to 4.15 pm (registration from 8.30 am)
Venue	Hyatt Hotel 120 Commonwealth Ave Yarralumla, Canberra
Cost	Full day \$685 (GST inclusive) Lunch included
CPD	5.5 points Professional skills
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8.30 am	Registration
9 am	Welcome ▶ Justin Davidson <i>Senior Executive Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i>
	Keynote address ▶ Timothy Pilgrim <i>PSM Australian Information Commissioner and Australian Privacy Commissioner</i>
	Who wrote the FOI Act? A modern day whodunit ▶ Justin Davidson <i>Senior Executive Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i>
	Legislation update – Privacy Act data breach notification and re-identification amendments ▶ Tara McNeilly <i>Senior General Counsel, AGS Office of General Counsel</i>
10.30–11 am	Morning tea
11 am	Recent FOI issues in the AAT ▶ Dr James Pople <i>Senior Member, Administrative Appeals Tribunal</i>
	Much ado about nothing? <i>Privacy Commissioner v Telstra Corporation Ltd [2017] FCAFC 4</i> ▶ Dr Laura Hilly <i>Senior Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i>
	Table quiz: test your FOI and privacy knowledge in this rapid-fire table quiz ▶ Melissa Gangemi <i>Senior Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i> ▶ Molly Scanlon <i>Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i>
12.45–1.30 pm	Lunch
1.30 pm	How does Australia stack up against international FOI standards? A comparative analysis ▶ Associate Professor Rick Snell <i>Faculty of Law, University of Tasmania</i>
	Panel discussion – all your FOI and privacy questions answered ▶ FACILITATOR: Melissa Gangemi <i>Associate Professor Rick Snell Faculty of Law, University of Tasmania</i> <i>Justin Hyland Senior Executive Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i> <i>Elena Arduca Senior Executive Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i>
2.50– 3.10 pm	Afternoon tea
3.10 pm	Case overview: <i>Queensland Newspapers and Department of Justice and Attorney-General; Carmody (Third Party) [2016] QICmr 23</i> ▶ Tristan Lockwood <i>Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i>
	We neither confirm nor deny: S 25 of the FOI Act ▶ Freda Taah <i>Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i>
	Responding to data breaches – practical options for agencies ▶ Allyson Ladhams <i>Senior Lawyer, AGS Dispute Resolution</i>
	Closing comments ▶ Justin Hyland
4.15 pm	Close



Registration

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Please ensure that payment accompanies registration. Full payment must be made prior to the event.

Closing date for registrations

The closing date for registering to attend is **Friday 12 May 2017**, or earlier if the room capacity is reached.

Confirmation

We will email confirmation of your registration within 3 days. If you haven't heard from us by then, we have not received your registration.

Cancellation policy

Payments are non-refundable. Substitutes are welcome, or the conference pack will be provided.

Program

All efforts will be made to present the program as outlined in the brochure. However, the convenors reserve the right to change or cancel the program if the need arises, due to unforeseen circumstances.

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 by Friday 12 May 2017
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