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Program

Drafters in the 21st Century—Professional, Capable and Competent

Day 1—Wednesday—3 August 2011

Time	Session	House of Assembly	Comment regarding session	
1.00—1.30		Parliament House entry via Centre Hall Security clearance and collection of name badge and conference bag	Early arrival at Centre Hall, Parliament House is recommended in order to clear security, register attendance and collect conference bag and name badge before moving to the House of Assembly chamber.	
1.30—1.45	Session 1	Welcome, program and housekeeping matters	Richard Dennis	
1.45—2.00	Session 2 Plenary— Opening address	The importance of the work of a Parliamentary Counsel—John Doyle CJ—Supreme Court of South Australia Chair: Richard Dennis		
2.00—3.00	Session 3 Plenary	Drafting in the 21st Century—How the role has developed and where it is now Chair: Theresa Johnson (QLD) Speakers: Don Colagiuri (NSW) David Noble (NZ)		
3.00—3.30	Afternoon tea			

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Time	Session	House of Assembly	Balcony Room	Terrace Room
3.30—4.15	Session 4 Plenary	Aboriginal people and the law Chair: Mark Herbst (SA) Speaker: Lewis O'Brien—Aboriginal Elder (and University of South Australia)		
4.15—4.45	Session 5 Plenary	Survival of the fit and not so fit—How to think, act and survive as a professional in the modern world Chair: John Leahy (OLDP) Speaker: Rachel Spencer (University of South Australia)		
7.00	Informal dinners			

Day 2—Thursday—4 August 2011

Time	Session	House of Assembly	Balcony Room	Terrace Room
9.00—9.45 (arrive by 8.45 am)	Session 6 Plenary	Update on applied law schemes Chair: Don Colagiuri (NSW) Speakers: Annette O'Callaghan (QLD) Roger Jacobs (WA)		
9.45—10.30	Session 7 Concurrent	Session 7A —Update on referrals Chair: Paul Lanspeary (CTH) Speaker: Richard Dennis (SA)	Session 7B —The development of policy and legislation Chair: NZ Speakers: Adam Durst (SA Office of the Chief Information Officer) Grant Selmes (OLDP)	Session 7C —New ways to tackle judicial review since Kirk Chair: Richard Hurford (NSW) Speaker: Mike Wait (Crown Solicitor's Office)
10.30—11.00	Morning tea			

Day 2—Thursday

Time	Session	House of Assembly	Balcony Room	Terrace Room
11.00—11.45	Session 8 Concurrent	<p>Session 8A—Update on Kable etc in light of Totani and other decisions</p> <p>Chair: Geoff Lawn (WA) Speakers: Chris Kourakis (Supreme Court Judge) and Ian Beale (Queensland) as commentator</p>	<p>Session 8B—Making legislation more accessible—Customer surveys and complexity flags</p> <p>Chair: Gale Jamieson (WA) Speaker: Louise Finucane (CTH)</p>	
11.45—12.45	Session 9 Concurrent	<p>Session 9A—Upholding intergovernmental immunity—Ralph Clarke goes to the High Court</p> <p>Chair: Shirley Fisher (SA) Speakers: Ralph Clarke and Mike Wait</p>	<p>Session 9B—Managing Emergency Management</p> <p>Chair: Theresa Johnson (QLD) Speakers: Mark Gobbi (NZ) Briar Gordon (NZ)</p>	
12.45—1.30	Lunch			
1.30—2.30	Session 10 Plenary	<p>The Drafter as Interpreter</p> <p>Chair: Gemma Varley (VIC) Speaker: Jeffrey Barnes</p>		
2.30—3.30	Session 11 Concurrent	<p>Session 11A—Delegated legislation—What can and cannot be done and what should and should not be done</p> <p>Chair: Christine Swift (SA) Speakers: Stephen Argument (OLDP) Mark Emery (SA)</p>	<p>Session 11B—Issues and new approaches for drafting legislation in the 21st century—Precedents, style and structure of legislation, outlines, preambles, schedules, notes, examples, diagrams etc.</p> <p>Chair: Sandra Georges (ACT) Speakers: Heimura Ringi (OLDP) Mellanie Adams (OLDP) Geoff Lawn (WA) Jim Soundias(VIC)</p>	<p>Session 11C—Issues for drafting for Private Members of Parliament</p> <p>Chair: Dawn Ray (NT) Speakers: Alison O’Dwyer (WA) John O’Donovan (ACT) Gemma Varley (VIC) Allanah Aitkin (QLD)</p>
3.30—4.00	Afternoon tea			

Day 2—Thursday

Time	Session	House of Assembly	Balcony Room	Terrace Room
4.00—5.00	Session 12 Plenary	The recognition of policy in the law—The limits on the policy underlying a statute being used to interpret that statute Chair: Louise Finucane (CTH) Speaker: Dr Steven Churches (University of SA)		
7.00	Conference dinner —Pacific Cultures Gallery, SA Museum			

Day 3—Friday—5 August 2011

Time	Session	House of Assembly	Balcony Room	Terrace Room
9.00—10.00 (arrive at 8.45 am)	Session 13 Plenary	Balancing the Powers of the Executive and Legislative Branches—Executive Compliance with Parliamentary Committees Chair: Richard Dennis Speaker: Greg Parker (South Australian Crown Solicitor)		
10.00—11.00	Session 14 Concurrent	Session 14A —Drafting for new drafters Chair: Shirley Fisher (SA) Speakers: Gale Jamieson (WA) Robyn Hodge (NSW) Sandra Lawson (QLD)	Session 14B —Theories of constitutional law/The extent to which the State should regulate private individuals Chair: Mark Herbst (SA) Speaker: Dr Chris Reynolds (Flinders University)	Session 14C —Criminal law—Drafting guidelines, the classification and formulation of offences, and related issues Chair: Aimee Travers (SA) Speakers: Matthew Goode (Attorney-General's Department)
11.00—11.30	Morning tea			

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Time	Session	House of Assembly	Balcony Room	Terrace Room
11.30—12.15	Session 15 Concurrent	Session 15A —Principles-based drafting Chair: Mary Toohey (ACT) Speaker: Paul Lanspeary (CTH)	Session 15B —Aliteracy: a modern problem with serious consequences for professional writing Chair: Richard Dennis Speaker: John Shelton (Consultant education adviser in writing and thinking)	Session 15C —Use of explanatory materials Chair: Inderjeet Sidhu (QLD) Speaker: Stephen Argument (OLDP)
12.15—12.45	Session 16 Plenary	The last word—What makes a successful drafter and how far can we go? Chair: David Noble (NZ) Speaker: Eamonn Moran (HK)		
12.45—1.00	Close	Richard Dennis		

