

Legal Counsel Summit VIC

📅 20 August 2025 📍 Marvel Stadium - Horizon & Stark Room

FEATURED SPEAKERS



Kevin Richardson

Member of the Exonerated Five
(Central Park Five)



Richard Fleming

General Counsel



Samantha Haeusler

General Counsel, Technology,
Data & Procurement



Emily Arnberg

Deputy General Counsel, Office of
the General Counsel - Defence



Richard Holbeach

General Counsel, Company Secretary
& Chief Privacy Officer



Gerry Farrell

General Counsel, Corporate



KEY TOPICS



The evolving role of the
GC in driving better
business decisions



Legal efficiency hacks :
tips and tricks to
supercharge productivity
across the team



AI truths: Legal's role in
fast, ethical innovation



Developing effective legal
incident response
management

WHO WILL ATTEND

Chief Legal Officers

General Counsel

Heads of Legal

Heads of Legal Operations

Heads of Privacy

Managing Partner

Practice Group Leader

Legal Counsel Summit VIC

AGENDA

8:30AM REGISTRATION & REFRESHMENTS

9:00AM WELCOME REMARKS

9:10AM OPENING KEYNOTE

Embracing Disruption : In-House Counsel's Crucial Role in Cutting-Edge Innovation

Richard Fleming, General Counsel, eSafety Commissioner

9:40AM PANEL DISCUSSION

The Evolving Role of the GC in Driving Better Business Decisions

- The evolution of in-house counsel - from legal to compliance, risk, corporate affairs, finance and beyond
- Adapting to the cultural shift and embracing transformation
- Demonstrating the value of the legal department

Richard Holbeach, General Counsel, Company Secretary & Chief Privacy Officer, Healthscope
Diana Valentine, Special Counsel & Regularly Acting General Counsel, Ambulance Victoria
Samantha Haeusler, General Counsel, Technology, Data & Procurement, ANZ Bank
Kate Ingber, Executive General Manager, Legal & Business Affairs, Cricket Australia

10:20AM CASE STUDY

AI as an Enabler in Catalysing Legal Proficiency

10:50AM MORNING TEA & NETWORKING

11:20AM INTERACTIVE

Simulation Scenario: The current geopolitical landscape and it's legal implications

11:50AM PANEL DISCUSSION

Legal Efficiency Hacks : Tips & Tricks to Supercharge Productivity Across the Team

- Setting the legal function up for success - assessing and building the ideal legal team for your business
- Identifying key indications that legal processes need to be evolved before inefficiencies become major roadblocks
- What skills are required in the modern legal team and approaches to developing new capabilities

Kate Sherburn, Legal Beagle (Head of Legal), Who Gives A Crap
Litsa Tsitsis, General Counsel & Head of Compliance, HESTA
Mario Briffa, General Counsel & Executive Director, WorkSafe Victoria
Emily Arnberg, Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel - Defence, Department of Defence

12:30PM PRESENTATION

GC Strategies to Deliver Competitive Advantage with the Help of Workflow Automation

1:00PM LUNCH & NETWORKING

1:40PM INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS

- Collective accountability in cybersecurity governance for business protection
- Enhancing contract clarity with AI for effective review and risk identification
- Seamless signature integration to fast-track legal approvals
- Future-proofing legal teams with adaptive ways of working
- The effects of Data Privacy updates on B2C organisations and how to adapt all business functions accordingly
- Fair Work Act amendments: Navigating additional responsibility and minimising risk
- Uncovering disruptors reshaping traditional legal functions in 2024
- The impact of eDiscovery in navigating complex data-driven legal scenarios

2:20PM PANEL DISCUSSION

AI Truths: Legal's Role in Fast, Ethical Innovation

- Unpacking recent regulatory developments shaping how AI can be deployed in business
- Practical strategies for mitigating privacy, ethical, and compliance risks - without slowing down innovation
- AI's role in supporting legal teams of the future to enhance performance - understanding how to maximise impact

Gerry Farrell, General Counsel, Corporate, Orica
Cam Beck, Head of Legal - Candidate & Connect, SEEK
Ben Clemson, Principal, Legal Operations, AustralianSuper
Moderator: Veronica Rios, Director, Global Associations & Strategic Partnerships, LexisNexis

3:00PM PRESENTATION

GC Insights into Current Data Privacy Requirements & Staying on Top of Emerging Regulation

3:30PM AFTERNOON TEA & NETWORKING

3:50PM KEYNOTE

The Central Park Five: A Case That Shook the System

- Kevin Richardson, one of the Exonerated Five, was wrongfully convicted at 14 in the 1989 Central Park jogger case and spent over 5 years in prison.
- His story, featured in Netflix's When They See Us, highlights systemic failures in the justice system. He will share his firsthand account and its impact on legal reform.

Kevin Richardson, Member of the Exonerated Five (Central Park Five)

4:20PM CLOSING REMARKS FOLLOWED BY NETWORKING DRINKS

5:20PM EVENT CONCLUDES