

# Expert Witness

## An Introductory Workshop

An afternoon forum by the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand South East Queensland Division



Register now as places are limited!

EVENT DATE: THURSDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2014

TIME: 2:00pm to 5:00pm  
(Registration from 1:30pm and  
Networking drinks from 5:00pm – 6:00pm)

VENUE: Hopgood Ganim, Level 8 Waterfront Place, 1 Eagle Street  
BRISBANE

COST: \$80 Members  
\$100 Non Members  
\$60 Students

This is a practical workshop designed especially for environmental practitioners who are looking to become expert witnesses.

With presenters experienced in each stage of the expert witness process, this workshop will cover:

- The role and obligations of an expert witness;
- An overview of the court processes;
- Conferencing with clients and lawyers;
- Preparing an expert report;
- Participating in joint meetings;
- Presenting evidence in Court; and
- Dealing with cross-examination.



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## Presenters

### Alan Chenoweth

Alan is a Senior Principal and Visual Impact Assessment Manager of Cardno. He is a Certified Environmental Practitioner and Registered Landscape Architect, with over 35 years' experience in plant sciences, natural area management, residential land development, environmental planning and landscape design. Alan's expertise in the public and private sector includes: landscape evaluation, visual impacts, nature conservation, parks and open space and World Heritage values, and he is currently undertaking PhD research in professional ethics. Alan has considerable experience acting as an expert witness in ecology and visual impacts, including in the Queensland Planning and Environment Court.

### Olivia Williamson

Olivia is an Associate with law firm HopgoodGanim. She advises clients on environmental and development approvals, planning appeals and declaratory proceedings, the interpretation of planning schemes and related legislation, compensation issues and environmental compliance and enforcement issues. Olivia has experience with engaging expert witnesses to assist with technical issues that arise throughout a development or project, including with respect to grounds for refusal, approval requirements or defending enforcement/prosecution actions.

### John Taylor

In March 2010, John was appointed ADR Registrar of the Planning and Environment Court and in that role has conducted in excess of 1100 without prejudice conferences, case management conferences and meetings of experts. John retired as a partner of Shand Taylor Lawyers in 2002 after having practised extensively in planning law since 1967.

### Mark Johnston

Mark is a barrister-at-law with a general commercial law practice including with respect to contract law, property law, banking and finance, mining and resources, construction law and competition law. Mark also practices in media law (including defamation) planning and environment law, land compensation and administrative law. Mark has extensive experience in conferring with expert witnesses to prepare for joint meetings and to give evidence to a specialist Court or Tribunal.

Chair: **Sarah Macoun**, Partner, HopgoodGanim



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**REGISTRATION DETAILS:** Don't miss out – register today to secure your spot - places are limited!

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Please e-mail your completed registration form to: [seq@eianz.org](mailto:seq@eianz.org) or alternatively Fax 07 5429 8486 |  
Post EIANZ-SEQ, Suite 105, 1B/192 Ann Street BRISBANE QLD 4000.

You can also book online at [www.eianz.org](http://www.eianz.org) - go to events and South East Queensland.

For further information, please don't hesitate to contact Danielle Bolton on 07 5429 8480.

A tax invoice will be supplied upon receipt of your registration. ABN: 11 897 117 481



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