

Victorian Women Lawyers

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Networking for Success:

Exploring Networking Skills For Women Lawyers In Private Practice

on Thursday 2 August 2012 at Allens Level 34, 530 Collins Street, Melbourne

> Time: 12:30-2:00pm Lunch provided

A frank and fearless panel discussion about networking skills: what they are, how they relate to building a successful practice and how to use networking skills to maximise one's effectiveness as a female lawyer in private practice.

The event is aimed at junior-mid level lawyers.

Note: this is a FREE event for VWL members only.

RSVP by 25 July 2012, strictly via:

http://www.vwl.asn.au/events/NFS0812/register.php

About the Panelists:

Avril Smith



Senior Associate, Maddocks

Avril is a Senior Associate at Maddocks in the Construction and Development Group. Having worked as a lawyer for the best part of the last 10 years in the United Kingdom, Avril has extensive experience in advising government and not-forprofit entities on a wide range of areas of law covering corporate, commercial and major projects - working on town centre regeneration projects, large scale outsourcing and mergers and acquisition arrangements.

Her professional and personal interests extend to her passion for social and affordable housing where she contributes to the sector not only through Maddocks but also as a Board Director of Victorian Women's Housing Association.

Bev Brough



Director of Master Networking

Bev draws on her wealth of experience to teach you how to network effectively. With over 25 years in teaching, training, selling, networking and business development, Bev is indeed a Master at her craft. As a result, her special skills in how to master networking in the corporate and professional environment are in great demand by industry professionals including the Law Institute of Victoria and many legal firms.

Bev is the director of Master Networking, a business that specialises in presentations, workshops and seminars for professional service organisations and is the co-author of Strategic Networking.

Rachel Nicolson



Senior Associate, Allens

Rachel is a Senior Associate specialising in Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution. Before joining Allens, Rachel spent several years managing law reform and other World Bank and Australian government-funded development projects in the Asian region.

Rachel has particular expertise advising on litigation involving 'corporate responsibility' issues, including foreign corrupt practices, corporate criminal liability, international law and standards, corporate human rights obligations, climate change, environmental impacts of major projects and community/landowner issues. Rachel primarily advises the resources and banking and finance industries.

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