

Commercial Court Seminar

Monash University Law Chambers
555 Lonsdale St, Melbourne



Duties of Directors and Officers beyond *James Hardie and Centro* – Where to from here?

- *Key implications for boardroom advice and practice*
- *Preparing and running cases in the future*
- *Issues for monitoring and reform*

The *James Hardie* and *Centro* litigation has significant implications for the duties owed by directors and officers to their company and the corresponding defences and safeguards in practice. A sound working knowledge of the implications of these two major cases will be fundamental for any practitioner or regulator involved in the provision of advice or handling of cases in this area, even as other cases and appeals wind their way through the courts. With the *Hardie* litigation scheduled for further consideration by the High Court later this year, directors' and officers' duties will continue to be a topic that requires the close attention of legal advisors, boards, and regulators.

This seminar is a timely opportunity to review the key conclusions, unresolved questions, and implications for practice and reform. Perspectives will be provided by three eminent panellists.

Chair

Justice Ross Robson, Supreme Court of Victoria

Presenters

Justice Anne Ferguson, Judge in Charge of the Corporations List of the Supreme Court of Victoria, will introduce the *James Hardie* case and comment on the significance of that decision.

Philip Crutchfield SC, of the Victorian Bar, will provide insight from the perspective of a Senior Counsel who acted in the *Centro* litigation.

Professor Bryan Horrigan, Louis Waller Chair of Law, Associate Dean (Research) Monash University, and long-standing consultant specialising in public and corporate law and governance will provide commentary on what has changed for boards and the reform agenda.

Barristers, solicitors and interested clients are encouraged to attend.

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