



Contempt of Court – A lecture by Professor David Rolph FAAL

Wednesday 22 November 2023, 5.15 for 5.30pm (AEST)

Chief Justice's Courtroom, Courtroom 5, Level 3, Supreme Court of Queensland

415 George Street, Brisbane

And online

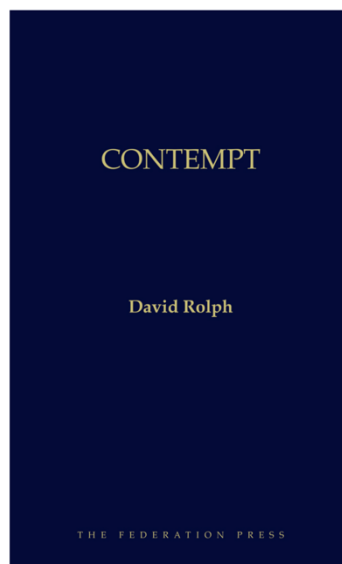
You are warmly invited to [Register](#) for the lecture and book launch, to be held by the Australian Academy of Law

About the lecture

Contempt of court is a key part of the administration of justice. The law needs to be applied swiftly. Yet, many complexities in the law of contempt have developed over the centuries. Professor Rolph's new book is the first comprehensive treatment of the Australian law of contempt of court. It discusses fundamental principles and practical issues.

The book considers all forms of contempt, including civil contempt, sub judice contempt, contempt in the face of the court, scandalising the court and interference with the administration of justice as an ongoing process. Professor Rolph's work examines both contempt of superior courts of record and the contempt powers of a range of inferior courts and tribunals. It also analyses the procedures and penalties for contempt of court.

[Information about the book *Contempt*](#)



About the Speakers

Professor David Rolph is a preeminent scholar in media law. He is the author of the authoritative work, *Defamation Law*, a consulting editor on *Gatley on Libel Slander*, and a legal history scholar. His many publications address fundamental issues about affecting freedom of expression and laws that protect competing interests: defamation, privacy and the administration of justice.

Patrick McCafferty KC, a media law specialist, will provide a brief commentary.

The Hon Justice Peter Applegarth AM, Supreme Court of Queensland, will chair the session.

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This will be a hybrid event. Registration is essential for those wishing to attend.

For those registering to attend remotely a link will be sent to your registration email address shortly before 22 November.

To register click [here](#)