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25 February 2005 for the Melbourne seminar and  
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## SPEAKER DETAILS

**Tim Bednall** (Sydney seminar): is a partner in the Sydney office of Mallesons Stephen Jaques. Tim has represented a wide range of public company and government clients in mergers and acquisitions and competition matters, including a number in Panel proceedings.

**Richard Cockburn** (both seminars): is Director of Corporate Finance in the Policy & Markets Regulation Directorate of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission. His responsibilities cover most aspects of listed companies, including fundraising, financial reporting, audit, takeovers and corporate governance.

**George Durbridge** (Sydney Seminar): is Counsel at the Takeovers Panel, a position he has held since 2000. Previous positions include: part-time secondment to the Corporate Law Simplification Unit, concerned with reforms to takeovers and prospectus law (1994-1996), General Counsel, Australian Securities Commission (1991-2000) and Principal Legal Officer, National Companies and Securities Commission (1986-1990).

**Bryon Koster** (Sydney seminar): is a partner in the Sydney office of Blake Dawson Waldron. He specialises in takeovers, schemes of arrangement and capital markets law. Bryon is a member of the Takeovers Panel and the Corporations Committee of the Law Council of Australia. In 1998, Bryon was seconded to the NSW Cabinet office where following the Sydney water contamination events of that year he worked on the creation of the Sydney Catchment Authority.

**Alison Lansley** (Melbourne seminar): is a partner in the Melbourne office of Mallesons Stephen Jaques working in the Corporate Advisory Clients Group. She specialises in takeovers, large scale corporate reconstructions, equity capital raisings, corporate governance and companies and securities law generally. She is also extensively involved in all aspects of the securities markets and corporate governance in Australia, including as Chairman of the Markets Policy Group and the Ethics Committee of the Securities Institute of Australia, Chairman of the Mallesons Stephen Jaques Corporate Governance Group, a member of the Takeovers Panel and a former member of the National Listing Committee of the Australian Stock Exchange.

**Marie McDonald** (Melbourne seminar): is a partner in the Melbourne office of Blake Dawson Waldron. She practices in the areas of mergers and acquisitions (both public company takeovers and private acquisitions) and company reconstructions. Marie is joint practice head of Blake Dawson Waldron's National M&A group and is a member of the Takeovers Panel.

**Simon McKeon** (both seminars): is Executive Chairman of Macquarie Bank Limited and specialises in mergers and acquisitions. In 1999, Simon was appointed by the Federal Government as the Founding President of the Australian Takeovers Panel. Simon serves on the Boards of World Vision Australia, MS Australia, MS Victoria and is Chair of MSA's Research Fundraising Committee. He is a member of the Strategic Advisory Board of the University of Melbourne's Graduate Program in Law. He has been on the Editorial Board of the Companies & Securities Law Journal since 1988 and has responsibility for its Takeovers Section.

**Nigel Morris** (Melbourne Seminar): has been the Director of the Takeovers Panel since March 2000. He leads a small team supporting the members of the Panel, and the three member "sitting Panels". Prior to the Takeovers Panel, Nigel spent 10 years with the NCSC, ASC and ASIC. His primary focus was on takeovers policy and national applications for regulatory approval. Nigel also worked extensively in securities exchange regulation and securities market enforcement. Nigel's international experience includes: (1) secondments in London with the Securities & Investments Board and the Securities and Futures Authority; (2) several years as ASIC's representative on IOSCO's working party on regulated exchanges and clearinghouses; and (3) conducting the first international takeovers regulator's conference (in Melbourne in October 2002).



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## SEMINAR

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**Takeovers**  
**Panel**

**THE TAKEOVERS PANEL: KEY ISSUES**  
**FOR COMPANIES AND ADVISERS**

SEMINAR TO MARK THE  
5TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NEW PANEL

3 March 2005 – Melbourne  
9 March 2005 – Sydney

**Co-hosted by the Centre for Corporate Law and Securities Regulation (University of Melbourne) and the Takeovers Panel**

*In March 2005 the Takeovers Panel celebrates its fifth anniversary as the main forum for resolving takeover disputes. In this time the Panel has delivered almost 150 decisions on a range of important matters relating to takeovers.*

*This seminar brings together leading speakers to examine current and emerging issues for the Panel and those involved in takeovers including:*

- *Conditions in bids - where should the line be drawn?*
- *Covering the "no mans land" between bids and schemes (especially trust schemes)*
- *Control transactions outside takeovers and schemes - selective capital reductions, rights issues and buy-backs*
- *Collateral benefits*
- *Equal access to information by competing bidders*
- *ASIC's relationship with the Panel and ASIC's current approach to Panel matters*
- *Understanding the Panel's approach and what really matters to it*
- *The Panel or the Courts - where to go if you have a choice?*

## **SPEAKERS**

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Partner, Mallesons Stephen Jaques

**Richard Cockburn**  
Director of Corporate Finance, ASIC

**George Durbridge**  
Counsel, Takeovers Panel

**Bryon Koster**  
Partner, Blake Dawson Waldron

**Alison Lansley**  
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**Marie McDonald**  
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**Simon McKeon**  
Executive Chairman, Macquarie Bank Limited and President, Takeovers Panel

**Nigel Morris**  
Director, Takeovers Panel

### **Convenor**

Professor Ian Ramsay, Director,  
Centre for Corporate Law and  
Securities Regulation,  
The University of Melbourne

### **Dates**

Thursday 3 March 2005 – Melbourne  
Wednesday 9 March 2005 – Sydney

### **Times**

5.30pm – 7.30pm.  
Refreshments will be served afterwards.

### **Venues**

**Melbourne Seminar**  
Blake Dawson Waldron  
Level 39  
101 Collins Street  
Melbourne 3000

**Sydney Seminar**  
Blake Dawson Waldron  
Level 41  
Grosvenor Place  
225 George Street  
Sydney 2000

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