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ESLA Newsletter

Welcome to the New Year

Connecting Lawyers. Building Community.

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Welcome to the New Year! We hope everyone has had a great start to 2026, and settling back into practice. Your Committee is looking forward to another busy and engaging year ahead, with opportunities to connect, learn, and strengthen our connections in our community.

We're Live on Socials

ESLA is now live on social media!

Follow us for event updates, insights, and highlights. Please follow and tag us.

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[Instagram](#)

<https://linkedin.com/company/eastern-solicitors-law-association/about/>

New Year Event | Live, Love, Law | Comedy & Wellbeing

Laughter really is the best medicine! 🎉

What a way to kick off 2026! Last Thursday, the energy at The Budgie Bar was electric as we combined wellness, wit, and world-class networking.

A massive thank you to our incredible lineup: [Emily Knowles](#) for the grounding wellness session and [Nathan Chin](#), [Tess Birch](#) and Sashi Perera for keeping us in stitches.

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the event.

And remember, events like these wouldn't be possible without our community and the steadfast support of [Law Institute of Victoria](#) and our sponsors [Pitcher Partners](#), [Equity Trustees](#), [Greens List Barristers](#) and [Stewart Title](#).

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Committee Update and CPD on 10 March 2026

The Committee held its first meeting of the year recently, and planning is well underway for our 2026 events program.

You are invited to join us for our first **CPD and Networking Event** of the year:

Focus on Intellectual Property and Digital Data

📍 **Tuesday, 10 March 2026**

Join us at **Vogue Ballroom** for networking and an engaging CPD exploring **trademarks, copyright, and the use of AI in legal practice.**

Bookings are open until **Friday, 6 March 2026**, and can be made here:

[🔗 https://lnkd.in/gBnSWdmS](https://lnkd.in/gBnSWdmS)

For further details and upcoming events, please visit esla.au.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Your Presidents Profile in the LIJ

We are pleased to share that your President was recently featured in the *Legal Industry Journal*, highlighting ESLA's work and ongoing contribution to the profession. It's great to see our association and members represented more broadly across the legal community.

Check out the story here: [A rich career in the 'burbs](#)

Introducing LIV's new Relationships Manager

Your President recently met with our new relationship manager at the Law Institute of Victoria (LIV). We look forward to continuing to build a strong and collaborative relationship with LIV throughout the year.

Members can meet [Georgiana Vayenas | LinkedIn](#) at our event on 10 March 2026.

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Join the ESLA Committee

There are currently two vacant Committee positions. Members interested in contributing to ESLA's work are encouraged to express their interest by speaking to a Committee member or emailing ESLAcommittee@gmail.com.

Young Lawyers Coffee Catch-up | Register Now

Don't forget to register for our upcoming coffee catch-up. It's a great chance to connect informally with fellow members.

- Your ESLA Committee will have a small tab available.
- ✦ Numbers are capped and **booking is essential**.

Register here: <https://thq.fyi/se/cf9478571ccd>

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