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## **The Design and Building Practitioners Act, The proposed regulations and their implications**

presented by Laina Chan and Ewan McKay

**Thursday 15 October 2020 12:30 pm AEDT**

### **Laina Chan, Barrister, Melbourne TEC Chambers**

Laina practices in the area of construction, property and insurance law. She has been recognised as the leading authority on the interplay between construction and insurance law and has authored the chapters on professional liability and insuring risk in construction law in Bailey's, "Construction Law in Australia", Thomsen Reuters, 4th Edition. Laina and Professor J W Carter have also recently co-authored a paper on Mann v Paterson, a New Approach to Quantum Meruit Claims (2020) 36 BCL 4.

To supplement her technical ability, Laina has a Certificate of Management Excellence from Harvard Business School having completed programs in negotiation, strategy and leadership. The programs have had a significant impact upon the way Laina approaches all negotiations and dispute resolution. Laina focuses on the interests of the parties during all negotiations and pursues a resolution that is in the best interests of the parties.

Laina is the Chair of the Society of Construction Law Australia and a director of the Australian Construction Industry Forum.

### **Ewen McKay**

Ewen McKay is a Product Leader at AXA XL. He has over 35 years' experience in Financial Lines insurance both as an underwriter and a broker.

Ewen is Chair of the Professional Liability Committee of the Insurance Council of Australia and in this role has been heavily involved in insurance industry engagement with governments, regulators and industry/ professional bodies regarding PI insurance issues with non-compliant building materials and construction defects.

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