



2010

AGS Legal training program

GOVERNMENT LAW TRAINING MODULE

Statutory Interpretation

Target group

This course has been specifically designed for government lawyers. It is a useful refresher for those who have been practising government law for many years and is also a good introduction for lawyers new to the field.

Course outline

This half-day course focuses on key common law principles of statutory interpretation and the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*. Topics include:

- principles of statutory interpretation
- the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*
- exercises in interpretation
- latest High Court cases on interpretation.

It is an interactive course and there are a variety of examples and exercises to illustrate key concepts. Course materials will be given to each participant for use as future reference material.

Objectives

Participants will come away from the course with a working understanding of the key issues in interpretation, how to approach the task of interpreting Commonwealth legislation and when legal advice may be required.

Presenters

Our presenters are experienced lawyers from our Office of General Counsel who have a great depth of knowledge of the government environment, and who specialise in statutory interpretation, machinery of government and constitutional law.

Duration

This is a half-day course, either 9 am to 12.30 pm or 1.30 pm to 5 pm. The calendar indicates when sessions are being offered by either 'am' or 'pm'. Morning/afternoon tea will be provided.

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Cost

Standard fee – \$560.00 (inclusive of GST) per person.

If three or more people from one agency attend the same course on the same day **or** if one person attends three or more courses in the same week of training – \$504.00 (inclusive of GST) per person.

No more than 20 people will be accepted on each course, and courses will only be conducted if we receive sufficient nominations.

For further information on our calendar training, in-house or customised courses, please contact **Di Harvey on T 02 6253 7126** or **Kirstin Hewitt on T 02 6253 7436**, or email cbrtraining@ags.gov.au.

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