



JOINT COMMITTEES

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**PUBLIC HEARING
Friday 13 March 2020**

**Robinson/William Room
The Sydney Boulevard Hotel, 90 William Street, Sydney**

Time	Witness
8.00 am	Law Council of Australia (<i>Submission 2</i>) Dr Jacoba Brasch QC, President-elect Mr Paul Doolan, Chair, Family Law Section Ms Pauline Wright, President
9.00 am	Non-Custodial Parents Party (Equal Parenting) (<i>Submission 1</i>) Mr John Flanagan, Deputy Registered Officer Mr Andrew Thompson, Party Secretary and Registered Officer
10.00 am	Australian Pro Bono Centre (<i>Submission 113</i>) Ms Jessica Hatherall, Head of Policy and Strategy Ms Sally Embelton, Policy and Project Officer
10.45 am	Break
11.00 am	Australian Bar Association (<i>Submission 87</i>) Ms Suzanne Christie, Chair, Family Law Committee NSW Bar Association (<i>Submission 227</i>) Mr Michael Kearney SC, Chair, Family Law Committee Ms Elizabeth Pearson, Director, Policy and Public Affairs
11.45 am	NSW Chief Magistrate of the Local Court (<i>Submission 236</i>) His Honour Graeme Henson AM, Chief Magistrate
12.15 pm	Australia's National Research Organisation for Women's Safety (<i>Submission 602</i>) Dr Heather Nancarrow, Chief Executive Officer Ms Michele Robinson, Director, Evidence to Action Ms Jackie McMillan, Project Officer Women's Electoral Lobby Australia (<i>Submission 98</i>) Ms Catherine Gander, Convenor, WEL NSW Eliminating Violence against Women Action Group Ms Jozefa Sobski AM, Member, WEL Australia National Coordinating Committee Women's Safety NSW (<i>Submission 727</i>) Ms Hayley Foster, Chief Executive Officer
1.15 pm	Lunch

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2.00 pm	<p>National Association of Community Legal Centres Mr Nassim Arrage, Chief Executive Officer</p> <p>Women's Legal Services Australia (WLSA) (<i>Submission 728</i>) Ms Sophie Quinn, Co-convenor Ms Amber Russell, Co-convenor Ms Helen Matthews</p> <p>Women's Legal Service NSW (<i>Submission 702</i>) Ms Liz Snell, Law Reform and Policy Coordinator Ms Philippa Davis, Principal Solicitor Ms Gabrielle Craig, Assistant Principal Solicitor</p>
3.00 pm	<p>Jannawi Family Centre Ms Biljana Milosevic, Director</p> <p>Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) (<i>Submission 604</i>) Ms Carolina Gottardo, Director</p> <p>Refugee Advice and Casework Service (RACS) (<i>Submission 604</i>) Ms Sarah Dale, Director and Principal Solicitor</p> <p>Interrelate Limited Ms Patricia Occelli, Chief Executive Officer Ms Sharon Grocott, Head of Research and Innovation</p>
3.30 pm	<p>Rape and Domestic Violence Services Australia (<i>Submission 3</i>) Ms Karen Willis OAM, Chief Executive Officer</p>