

DISCOVERY SEMINAR

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A joint presentation by
the Australasian Institute of Judicial Administration (AIJA) and
the National Judicial College of Australia (NJCA)

In May 2011 the Australian Law Reform Commission published its Report
“Managing Discovery: Discovery of Documents in Federal Courts”
(ALRC Report 115, 2011)
available on the Internet at <http://www.alrc.gov.au/publications/managing-discovery-discovery-documents-federal-courts-alrc-report-115>

This one and a half day seminar will involve facilitated discussion of issues such as:

- Ensuring that cost and time required for discovery of documents is proportionate to the matters in dispute;
- The effectiveness of different types of discovery orders
- The effectiveness and enforceability of orders requiring parties to identify and disclose critical documents as early as possible
- The effectiveness of orders, including costs orders, to limit the overuse of discovery
- The impact of technology on the discovery of documents
- Alternatives to discovery
- The role of courts in managing discovery, including case management and the powers and mechanisms to enable courts to better exercise their powers
- Implications of the cost of discovery on the conduct of litigation, including means to limit the extent to which discovery gives rise to satellite litigation

Further details about the speakers and topics will be made available on the websites of the AIJA (www.aija.org.au) and the NJCA (www.njca.com.au)

