**CHILD PROTECTION PRACTITIONERS ASSOCIATION PRACTICE PAPER**

**TUESDAY 28 MARCH 2017 at 5.30**

**Topic: *Statute of limitations in child sex abuse matters***

Chair:

Steve Herd

Partner, MurphySchmidt Solicitors

**Keynote speakers:**

Ben Mathews

Professor, School of Law, Queensland University of Technology

*Dr Ben Mathews is a Professor in the School of Law at Queensland University of Technology in Brisbane. He has published 14 government reports, 65 refereed scholarly articles and book chapters, and over 20 law reform submissions on issues concerning children and the law, with a focus on multidisciplinary research at the interface of child maltreatment and law. His key field of research expertise is in the prevention, detection, and response to child abuse and neglect by legal and social systems. Ben has been appointed Professorial Fellow to the Australian Government Royal Commission Into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and has written several papers on compensation provisions and limitation periods for child sexual abuse cases.*

Warren Strange

Executive Officer, Knowmore Legal Service

*Warren Strange is the CEO at Knowmore Legal Service, which provides free legal assistance to people engaging with or considering engaging with the Royal Commission into Institutional responses to Child Sexual Abuse. Warren is a lawyer with expertise in public legal assistance, criminal law, public inquiries’ powers and procedures, and prevention services. Previously, Warren was an Assistant Commissioner at the Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC), where he led the Misconduct team. In 2003 Warren led the team that produced the CMC’s Protecting Children report, resulting in fundamental reforms to Queensland’s child protection system.* *In 2016 he was appointed as a member of the Queensland Sentencing Advisory Council.*

**REGISTRATION 5.OO PM -- PRESENTATIONS COMMENCE 5.30 PM**

**DRINKS AND NETWORKING TO FOLLOW**

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