

# Tax In Practice Launceston

**19 November 2025** 

**University of Tasmania** 

3 CPD hours



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Expect a thought-provoking mix of tax and legal perspectives, rich discussions, and practical takeaways you can immediately implement in practice.

#### Who should attend?

This workshop is ideal for accountants, lawyers, and advisers looking to bridge theory and application. Whether you're looking to refine your technical expertise or stay ahead of the curve, you'll walk away with fresh tools, sharper judgment, and stronger professional connections.

#### Schedule

Wednesday, 19 November 2025

1:15 - 5:00 PM

Floor 1, Room 119, River's Edge Building

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# **Technical Program**

Date/Time	Session	Presenter					
1:15 - 1:30pm	Registration						
1:30 - 2:30pm	Session 1: Care and maintenance of your trust	Speaker:					
	Your automobile needs to be serviced at the correct intervals, and parts need to be replaced as they wear out, otherwise it will let you down, or become unsafe. Similarly, a trust is a piece of precision legal machinery in which all the parts need to work together in harmony in order for it to be effective. Here are some tips to help you keep your trust in tip top shape.	Paul Conde, CTA, Tierney Law					
	<ul> <li>Read the owner's manual – examining the trust deed and understanding the trustee's powers, in particular the power to amend the deed.</li> </ul>						
	<ul> <li>Common amendments – excluding foreign beneficiaries; changing the appointor and guardian; adjusting the beneficiary classes; extending the vesting date.</li> </ul>						
	• Updating an old trust deed in light of more recent legal developments; for instance, defining and streaming income.						
	Passing control of the trust.						
	Court ordered variations.						
	Avoiding resettlements.						
2:30 - 2:45pm	Tea break						
2:45 - 3:45pm	Session 2: Trusts, trustees and tax in Tasmania: Navigating the State	Speaker:					
	Revenue Office	Kate Alcorso, FTI, Shields Heritage					
	This practical session will unpack key issues for trusts and trustees when dealing with the Tasmanian State Revenue Office.						
	<ul> <li>Trust Deeds &amp; Duty - When is a change to a trust deed dutiable? (s 6 Duties Act 2001 (Tas) and Ruling PUB-DT- 2023-3)</li> </ul>						
	<ul> <li>Foreign Investor Land Tax Surcharge – How the surcharge applies and when trusts may be caught, even for existing properties.</li> </ul>						
	<ul> <li>Landholder Duty (Primary Focus) – Understanding the land threshold and ratio tests, duty on unit/share transfers in land-rich entities, and TRO requirements around evidence. Key issues include linked entities, tracing rules, aggregation, and unsettled contracts.</li> </ul>						

#### 3:45 - 4:00pm

#### Tea break

#### 4:00 - 5:00pm

# Session 3: Asset protection, restructuring and insolvency risks: What every tax practitioner should know

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Travis Anderson, Deloitte

Speaker:

This session explores the intersection of asset protection, restructuring and insolvency from a tax practitioner's perspective. Gain practical insights into:

- Asset protection planning: including an overview of common business structures.
- Explanation of Voidable Transactions in liquidation preference recoveries and other voidable transactions (ie: unreasonable director related transactions; creditor defeating dispositions + recoveries in Bankruptcy), including timelines.
- Important considerations for Tax Practitioners when advising clients in distress including the duties of practitioners in restructuring and asset divestment in advance of an insolvency.
- Considerations in relation to what is legitimate restructuring as opposed to illegal phoenixing of a company or entering into transactions to defeat creditors.

## **Presenters**

Kate Alcorso, FTI, is an experienced commercial lawyer, based in Launceston, with a varied practice covering commercial, taxation, estate and succession planning fields. Kate is a fellow of The Tax Institute and has served as a Tasmanian State Council for the past 6 years, including 2 years as chair of the State Council. Kate is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, wording in a number of governance roles with Not for Profit organisations. Kate facilitates the delivery of CPD in tax, commercial law and governance spaces. Kate takes a practical approach to advising her clients and enjoys assisting them to maximise successful legal outcomes in their arrangements.

**Travis Anderson** is a Deloitte Partner that specialises in advising on insolvency, business turnaround and performance improvement. Travis provides a range of services to his clients that include lenders, boards and government and regularly advises on corporate insolvency, financial restructuring, turnaround management, profit improvement, cost out and working capital optimisation.

Paul Conde, CTA, career in tax commenced when he accepted the offer of a position as a base-grade clerk in the Debt Recovery section of the Australian Taxation Office in Hobart. He was soon promoted to a position in Assessing, and later moved to Field Audit and Investigations; followed by time as Hobart Office Accountant and later as a Senior Case Manager in ATO Complaints. In 2000 he was seconded to the Commonwealth Ombudsman's office to assist with the bedding-in of the New Tax System. Paul obtained degrees in commerce and later in law, both from the University of Tasmania.

In 2012 he decided to move into private legal practice. He is a lawyer at Tierney Law in Hobart, here in addition to Commonwealth and State taxation matters, he advises clients on wills and estate planning; estate management; trust law; property and commercial law; and consumer law. Paul is a past member of the Tasmanian State Council.

"I'm really looking forward to the Tax in Practice workshop. It's a fantastic opportunity to connect with colleagues and dive into real-world issues that directly impact our work. These sessions always strike the right balance of practical learning and professional networking, and the chance to hear from experienced practitioners makes the day even more valuable."

Simon Clark, CTA, Longford Business Centre

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