



Webinar, 3 May 2016

## Attorney Professional Conduct – Lessons from the Trenches

On 3 May 2016 Dr Trevor Davies will outline important sections of the *Code of Conduct for Patent and Trade Marks Attorneys 2013*, discuss potential conflicts of interest, and provide practical tips to assist practitioners to meet the requirements of the Code of Conduct and minimize risk of potential conflicts and complaints from clients.

Patent and trade marks attorneys must be familiar with the Code of Conduct and comply with the provisions at all times. There are obligations that require an attorney to only act where the attorney has appropriate competency. Attorneys must provide written information and cost estimates to prospective, new and existing clients. If attorneys ensure that at all times they act in the best interest of their clients then attorneys should comply with the professional obligations set out in the Code of Conduct.

### *Trevor Davies, PhD*

**Trevor Davies** is a partner of Allens Patent & Trade Mark Attorneys and has been practicing in the life sciences patent area for over 22 years. Prior to joining the patent attorney profession, Trevor worked as a Post-Doctoral Research Fellow at University of Chicago in the US and the University of Saarland in Germany, carrying out research on renal diseases.

Trevor was elected to IPTA Council in 2002 and is Convenor of the Ethics & Disputes Committee and the Plant Breeder's Rights Committee. The Ethics & Disputes Committee receives enquiries and complaints from clients of IPTA members as well as from practitioners within the umbrella of IPTA. Having been involved with the Ethics & Disputes Committee for over 10 years, Trevor has gained an insight into the ethical issues faced by attorneys in their daily practice.

Date	Time	Register
Tuesday 3 May	Bris, Melb, Syd, Can: 1.00 pm – 2.00 pm (AEST)  Note: Adelaide: 12.30pm – 1.30pm Perth: 11.00 am – 12.00 am	To register for this event, you must be a member. Please contact <a href="mailto:mail@ipta.org.au">mail@ipta.org.au</a> for further information.

***If you would like to attend, please register online by Tuesday 3 May 2016  
at noon AEDT***