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# What can be done about wrongful convictions?



## **About**

Join us at the Sydney Institute of Criminology for a panel discussion exploring miscarriages of justice and wrongful convictions with prominent US experts, <u>Professor Jon Gould</u> and <u>Professor Richard A. Leo</u>, and leading Australian researchers, <u>Dr Bob Moles</u> and <u>Dr Bibi Sangha</u>. This panel event, chaired by <u>Associate Professor David Hamer</u>, will discuss two projects on wrongful convictions in the United States and Australia respectively.

Professor Jon Gould will discuss some of the key findings and implications of his four-year collaborative US study, Preventing Wrongful Convictions, funded by the National Institute of Justice. The study employed quantitative and qualitative analyses of 'erroneous convictions' and 'near misses' to understand the many potential causes of wrongful convictions. Professor Richard A. Leo will share his deep understanding of the role of false confessions in wrongful convictions. Dr Bob Moles and Ms Bibi Sangha will discuss the findings from the Australian Networked Knowledge and Flinders University Miscarriages of Justice Project (FUMOJ), and explore what appears to be a long series of wrongful convictions in South Australia, including the significant causal role apparently played by South Australia's former Chief Forensic Pathologist, Dr Colin Manock.

This event is hosted by the Institute of Criminology, Sydney Law School, The University of Sydney. 2016 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Sydney Institute of Criminology, and this panel event is part of a suite of events throughout the year that showcases the contributions of the Institute to criminal justice research, policy and debate.

## When

# **THURSDAY 28 APRIL**

4 pm - 6 pm

#### Where

Common Room (Level 4)
Sydney Law School
New Law Building (F10)
Eastern Avenue
The University of Sydney
Camperdown

# Registration

Full fee: FREE

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Lawyers/barristers: attendance at this conference is equal to 4.5 MCLE/CPD units

## **Speakers**

#### **Professor Jon Gould**

School of Public Affairs & Washington College of Law, American University, Washington D.C.

#### **Professor Richard A. Leo**

Hamill Family Chair Professor of Law and Social Psychology, Dean's Circle Scholar, University of San Francisco

#### **Dr Bob Moles**

Founder and Director, Networked Knowledge

#### Ms Bibi Sangha

Senior Lecturer and Director, Flinders University Miscarriages of Justice Project (FUMOJ), Flinders Law School, Flinders University