TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER	SPONSOR
Wednesday 8 October			
5.00pm	Welcome function - Kingpin		*McElroys*
Thursday 9 October **Queenstown Memorial Hall**			
8.30am	Registration opens		
9.00am	*Mihi Whakatau and welcome*	NZILA President - Petra Lucioli 2025 Conference Convenor - Maree Cowan	
9.10am	*My life in crime; or reasons to be cheerful*	Justice Neil Campbell	*Gilbert Walker*
9.45am	*Mental toughness & high pressure decision making*	Ant Williams	*Anderson Lloyd*
10.30am	Morning tea		*MDD*
11.05am	*Limitation: The Law That Won't Let Go*	Les Taylor KC, David Sutcliffe, Christine Meechan KC	*Kennedys*
12.05pm	*Red vs Blue - Lessons from the frontlines of Offensive and Defensive Security*	Ian Donovan, Simon Howard	
12.30pm	Lunch		
1.20pm	*Insurance Law Update October 2027: a Sneak Peak*	Professor Rob Merkin	*NZI*
1.45pm	*The darker and brighter side of human experience - what is the role of AIEQ?*	Dr Scott Cresswell	*Maynard Marks*
2.10pm	*Legal Update*	Rosie Judd, Miranda Braddock, Sam Hider	*Young Hunter*
3.10pm	Afternoon tea		*FMG*
3.45pm	*Quickfire 1: Breach to Boardroom: Cyber Extortion, Rapid Response, and the Insurance Solution*	Anthony Cooke	*Delta*
4.05pm	*Quickfire 2: Yes yes Cyber, its still a problem….I get it…but what does it all mean Basil?*	Damian Schade	*Delta*
4.25pm	*Shallowfake to Deepfake to Sora: AI technologies and Risk*	International Speaker: Nicholas Zambetti	*Atmos*
5.10pm	*Day one closing and NZILA AGM*	Secretary NZILA - Frank Rose	
6.45pm	NZILA President's Shout - Earnslaw and Spirit of Queenstown (boarding from Steamer Wharf)		
7.45pm - 11.00pm	Walter Peak Station		*McLarens*

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	Friday 10 October		
	Breakout Stream 1 *Copthorne Hotel*	**Breakout Stream 2** *Crowne Plaza Hotel*	
9.00am	*International Keynote: The demise of the Lliuya case and the backlash against climate protestors*	Oliver Brand (Virtual - Germany)	*MinterEllisonRuddWatts*
9.25am	*Quickfire 3: Where's the next disaster of our own doing coming from?* Daniel Kennett *Quickfire 4: The Shake up to Building Authority Risk – the proposed removal of joint and several liability.* Julia Whitehead	*Leading the Conversation: Advocacy and Mediation in the New Age.* Justice David Clark, Malcolm Wallace	
	Sponsored by Delta	*Sponsored by Brookfields*	
10.10am	Morning tea		*Hesketh Henry*
10.50am	*Hot Takes on Fire Litigation: Lessons from the Ashes.* Jamie Cowan, Greg Baker	*Gripes, Grumbles and Growing Pains: What insurance complaints are really telling us.* Claire Benjamin, Anita Middleton, Emma Gabor	
	Sponsored by Dual	*Sponsored by Bastion Security*	
12.00pm	Conference closing	Conference closing	
12:30pm	Long Lunch -Stratosfare Restaurant, Skyline		*Morgan Coakle*

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SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

Welcome Function
Wednesday 8 October

Welcome to the NZILA Conference 2025!
Join sponsor McElroys together with NZILA for a pre-conference gathering over drinks and canapes within the fun and vibrant venue of Kingpin Queenstown

Time: 5.00pm - 6.30pm
Venue: Kingpin, 35 Brecon Street Queenstown

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President's Shout
Thursday 9 October

Join NZILA's President and National Committee on board the Earnslaw and Spirit of Queenstown as you are transported across Lake Whakatipu.
Please make your own way to the front of the TSS Earnslaw, Steamer Wharf Dock ready for boarding at 6.45pm, wearing non-slip shoes/boots and warm clothing/jacket.

Time: 6.45pm - 7.45pm
Venue: Earnslaw and Spirit of Queenstown

NZILA New Zealand Insurance Law Association

Conference Dinner
Thursday 9 October

Secluded across the tranquil waters of Lake Wakatipu, Walter Peak's Homestead Restaurant is the ultimate dining destination. Nestled in a beautifully restored colonial homestead surrounded by sweeping, elegant grounds, it's the perfect setting for an unforgettable dinner. McLarens have again partnered with NZILA to support this highly regarded conference social function.

Time: 7.45pm - 11.00pm
Venue: Walter Peak Station

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Long lunch
Friday 10 October

The popular conference Long Lunch in conjunction with sponsors Morgan Coakle will be hosted at the Stratosfare Restaurant, Skyline. "Stratos"- meaning 'up high' – and "fare" a 'collection of food'. Known for its stunning views over Queenstown, this iconic restaurant has style and a vibrant atmosphere. There will also be the traditional quiz from Morgan Coakle and will round off our 2025 Conference. Buses will be available from the Copthorne and Crowne Plaza to deliver one way to the lunch.

Time: 12.30pm - 3.30pm
Venue: Stratosfare Restaurant, Skyline

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