Supervision Practices Check
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Dear Colleague

Last week I wrote to the managing partners of all law firms with over 7 practising certificate holders to invite them and their firms to participate in an on-line survey about supervision practices within law firms. We are conducting the survey in partnership with researchers at Griffith Law School.

I am writing now to extend that invitation to the principals of every Queensland law firm and indeed every Queensland solicitor.

Individuals are most welcome to participate in the survey but it will work best if most or at least a good number of your firm’s people take part, both supervisors and supervisees. That will give you useful information to help you to review your firm’s practices and approach to supervision, not least by enabling you to compare and contrast their answers and so identify any inconsistencies.

The survey is completely confidential. It does not ask either individual participants or participating law firms to identify themselves. It asks only that your firm gives itself a self-selected code. The code allows us to filter the results by code and publish them on our website accordingly.

I urge you to participate and, if you choose to participate as a firm, to appoint a survey manager to oversee the process. That is not an onerous role but one that experience tells us is crucial to your getting the best results.

Access and instructions
- You can access the survey here.
- You can access instructions for survey managers and individual participants here.
- You can read more about our ethics checks surveys and access the results of previous surveys, our analyses of those results and the feedback we received from the leaders of the participating firms here.

We have set an end date of Friday 22 November. The end date tells us when to close the survey and to collate and publish the results on our website. Please feel free to contact Dr Lyn Aitken via lyn.aitken@lsc.qld.gov.au if you have any queries or need assistance.

Thank you for your interest.

Regards,

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