Episode 30: Guest bios

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Guest(s): Thomas Spohr

THOMAS SPOHR	Trial Advocate

Thomas Spohr is a trial advocate with Legal Aid NSW and former prosecutor at the Office of Director of Public Prosecutions (both NSW and Commonwealth), as having previously been in private practice in criminal defence. He is a past President of NSW Young Lawyers. Thomas is a former board member of the Tristan Jepson Memorial Foundation (and the Minds Count Foundation), the Law Society Criminal Law Committee and the Law Society Ethics Committee, and a long-term author of criminal law case notes and articles for the LSJ. Thomas has been involved in widely reported cases (including one of the largest fraud's by an individual in Australia's history) and he writes and comments regularly on law reform issues.

You can contact Thomas through his LinkedIn profile here.

DAVID TURNER	Host

David Turner has a gift for teasing out people's stories, so it's no wonder he is Hearsay's host. With a double Bachelor of Arts and Laws from Macquarie University, he is also an MBA candidate at UNSW's Australian Graduate School of Management.

When he isn't interviewing people on Hearsay, David is a lawyer at Assured Legal Solutions, a boutique financial services law firm located in Sydney's CBD. Prior to joining Assured, he was called to the NSW Bar, and is a former President of NSW Young Lawyers and a former Councillor of the Law Society of NSW.

David spends the little downtime that he has left reading historical fiction and tinkering on home improvement projects.

You can access David's bio on the Assured Legal Solutions website here.