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Will McCartney is a legal technologist and the founder of Habeas, an Australian-built legal AI platform focused on research, analysis, and complex drafting grounded in Australian law. He works closely with NSW law firms, in-house teams, and legal organisations to support the adoption of AI tools that are practical, defensible, and aligned with real legal workflows.

Will works alongside practitioners from sole practices to mid-tier firms to help integrate advanced legal AI into research, knowledge management, and drafting workflows. His work focuses on demystifying how legal AI systems operate “under the hood” — including retrieval, citations, verification, and risk — rather than treating AI as a black box. He believes that a deeper understanding of the underlying technology better equips practitioners to use AI responsibly and in accordance with professional obligations. Will regularly presents CPD sessions and workshops on responsible AI use in legal practice, with a particular emphasis on Australian research.



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