

From the Dean

March 2015

Welcome to the second edition for 2015 of the Law School Newsletter.

Dr Stephen Janes, Deputy Dean of the School of Law, is taking a very well earned Study Leave break from 16th March 2015 until the 11th May 2015. Stephen is an expert in wills and estates, and he will be completing the manuscript of a significant new book on Wills and Succession. Associate Professor Michael Blissenden will be Acting Deputy Dean for the Period.

Prof Michael Adams, Dean of Law

Good News: Staff

Luke Beck

Luke has been asked to act as a referee for article submissions to the University of New South Wales Law Journal and the University of Western Sydney Law Review.

Dr Alpana Roy

Dr Alpana Roy has been appointed to the newly created UWS Law and Negligible Risk Ethics Committee.



Prof Michael Adams FGIA(Life) FCIS receiving his award of 25 years membership of the Governance Institute of Australia (formerly Chartered Secretaries) from the President, Ms Trisha Mok on Wednesday 17th March 2015 at the InterContinental Hotel in Sydney.

Good News: Students

The HDR Morning Tea was held at 10.30am on 4 March 2015. Ten HDR students attended as well as law staff with Daud Hassan welcoming all and giving a short address. Sue Armstrong also addressed the gathering as the new Director of Research. All students gave an outline of their Thesis with a short Q&A session afterwards.

The Law school has been informed that Emma Macfarlane, a UWS Alumni who graduated in 2008, was admitted as a Partner with Marsdens Law Group 1 July 2014 - this is a great achievement.

Research

Professor Michael Adams

Professor Michael Adams was interviewed on ABC radio 702 on the topic of bribes and gifts in high office, whether corporate or government, on Tuesday 17th February 2015 at 10.30am on Lynda Mottram's show.

Professor Steven Freeland

Interviewed for and quoted in 'US arms suppliers overrule courts in Australian with ITAR', *The Saturday Paper*, 24 January 2015, page 1 (see [article](#))

Interviewed on PM on ABC Radio regarding recent American FAA decision regarding possible future private commercial activities on the Moon and other celestial bodies in outer space, 6 February 2015

Presentation (invited) 'The ICC, Complementarity and Sovereignty' at a symposium 'International Courts and Domestic Politics' hosted by PluriCourts - Centre of Excellence, University of Oslo, Norway, 29-30 January 2015.

Speech (invited) 'The Effectiveness of the International Criminal Court', hosted by The King's School / Tara Anglican Girls College, Sydney, 18 February 2015

External referee (by invitation) of article on international criminal law for the *Melbourne Journal of International Law*, February 2015

External reviewer (by invitation) of proposal for a new international law journal based in China for Routledge, February 2015.

Speech (invited) 'Small Satellites – Australia and the International Regulatory Regime', sponsored by the Space Industry Association of Australia, Mt Stromlo Observatory, Canberra, 19 February 2015

Interviewed on PM on ABC Radio regarding issues related to global problem of Child Soldiers, 2 March 2015

External referee (by invitation) of article on space law for the *Asian Journal of International Law*, February 2015

On 17-19 November 2014 Professor Steven Freeland presented to UN Space Law workshop see [full article](#).

Associate Professor Alpana Roy

Associate Professor Alpana Roy presented a paper to the NSW Law Society on 'Domain Name Law: from Registration to Dispute Resolution' on 19 March 2015.



Research Seminar Series

Thank you Dr Masud Haque for organising an excellent Research Seminar for Emeritus Professor Hank Lischer from Southern Methodist University (Texas) Law School on the topic of 'Multinational enterprise structuring'. As well as a good number of law academics and HDR students, we were joined by five ATO officers.

Publications

Dr Daud Hassan

Daud Hassan, 'Oceans - Maritime Boundary Delimitation: A Normative Standard? Part II: Is It Still Insufficiently Addressed?' (2014) 44 (6) *Environmental Policy and Law* 517-529 (with Emdadul Haque)

Luke Beck

Luke Beck, 'The Establishment Clause of the Australian Constitution: Three Propositions and a Case Study' (2014) 35 *Adelaide Law Review* 225-250.

Dr Angus Young

Ludmilla K. Robinson and Angus Young, 'Bail-in or Bail-up? Reappraising Hong Kong's Proposed Financial Institution Resolution Procedures' (2015) 12, *International Corporate Rescue*, 15-22.

Assoc Prof Michael Blissenden

Michael Blissenden has published a piece for The Conversation on the Intergeneration Report, and its lack of detail on superannuation [see publication](#)

Professor Michael Adams

Professor Adams has published a piece in The Conversation "Seven-Year sentence for insider trading unlikely to deter others. [see publication](#)

Dr Shelley Bielefeld

Shelley Bielefeld, 'Compulsory Income Management – Exploring Counter Narratives amidst Colonial Constructions of Vulnerability' (2014) 36(4) *Sydney Law Review* 695-726. (former 'A*' ERA ranking)

Shelley Bielefeld, 'Income Management and Indigenous Peoples – Nudged into a Stronger Future?' (2014) 23(2) *Griffith Law Review* 285-317. (former 'A*' ERA ranking)

Shelley Bielefeld, 'Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples: Exploring the Limits of Benevolent Language' (2014) 8(15) *Indigenous Law Bulletin* 22-26. (peer reviewed article)

Admin News

Farewell to Joanne Huntington who has resigned from her role at the PCJC for a new venture at The Salvation Army Streetlevel. Many thanks to Jo for her work in the PCJC and Student Legal Services Programs over the past year and a half and to Chris who has been providing some extra assistance until the role is filled. Farewell also to Jane Lindsay who is retiring from the First year Coordinator role. Jane was instrumental in getting the support requirements for this area up and running and will be missed by many staff and students. We have moved toward creating a new role combining first year support and some other school activities and recruitment action is underway

From Campbelltown Campus

Dr Alpana Roy

The Law school will be holding regular weekly lunches every Thursday (this semester), commencing in Week 1 of Semester (the first one was held on Thursday 26 February).

The last Thursday of each month will be a research meeting for academics at Campbelltown to discuss their research interests and agendas in a friendly and supportive environment, and to update each other on their current and future research projects. These monthly research meetings in Campbelltown will

commence in March – the first one scheduled to be held on Thursday 26 March 12pm -2pm. Please bring along your lunches and feel free to join us in the Campbelltown Law staff room every Thursday (this semester) at 12pm – commencing in Week 1 of Semester.

Community Engagement

Law Camp - Nikki Bromberger

The 2015 Law camp was huge success, thanks largely to the tireless efforts and supreme organisational skills of Jane Lindsay.

Amongst other things, our 67 first year students met the Dean and Deputy Dean, had the opportunity to listen to, and ask questions of some inspiring UWS law alumni, engaged in some legal/ethical thinking prompted by David Seedhouse, participated in several mini moots which were presided over by her Honour Justice Catherine Renshaw, and were given tips about studying law from David Sinfield members of the LSA and second or third year student volunteers.

Thank you to Catherine Renshaw for being our moot judge and Michael Adams and Stephen Janes and David Seedhouse for addressing the students. I would particularly like to thank Jane of course, but also David Sinfield who every year attends and plays an integral role in the whole of camp.



John Juriansz - Law Careers Seminar Series

The first two events of the 2015 Law Careers Seminar Series - the Law Careers Fair and the "Legal Practice Areas Roundtable" were both tremendous successes. The roundtable session was attended by 47 registered students plus about 30 extra who attended without registering! I was proud to have hosted a roundtable - giving my best Tony Jones impersonation - with such an impressive panel which consisted of: Magistrate Theo Tsavdaridis (Local Court Magistrate), Sarah McNaughton SC (Criminal Law Barrister), Hasti Kalarostaghi (Partner at Hunt & Hunt Lawyers), Veronica Siow (Partner at Allens Linklaters), Ali Mojtahedi (Principal Solicitor with the Immigration Advice and Rights Centre) and Malcolm Gittoes-Caesar (Partner at Coleman Greig Lawyers).

The event stretched to 3 hours during which the students listened with rapt attention and energetically engaged during the Q&A portion of the evening. The conversation was of exceptional quality as the panellists were able to expertly respond to students who had quickly revealed their primary concern about securing that first job. Relevantly, 5 of the 6 panellists were "first in family" - including each of the three law firm partners, all of whom were UWS graduates. The three remaining events are "Choosing the Right Career" on 31 March, "Transitioning to Employment" on 21 April and "CV Writing and Interview Skills" on 12 May.



Law School sponsorship - Water initiative

The School of Law has sponsored the Freedom Hub who empowers and restores survivors of modern slavery in Australia and partners in the fight to end slavery.

The problem - Slavery happens in Australia; it happens in Sydney. Many survivors are in fact highly educated, and have left their family or community groups to embrace what they thought to be a new opportunity to work or study in Australia. However, having been lied to and enslaved once they are here, they can easily end up traumatised. A survivor's situation is unique: despite being motivated to start over, traditional learning and working environments can be intimidating and confusing so they often feel anxious and fearful.

The solution - the Freedom Hub helps survivors stay motivated & seek opportunities by offering supported learning and work experience

The law school has purchased bottles of water with UWS logo, together with Freedom Hub's logo to support this worthwhile cause.

