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Newsletter of Western Sydney University Law School

From the Dean

August 2016

Where is the year going? August has been another great month for the School of Law, with a mixture of celebrating with our alumni and continuing to publish research in a range of journals and books, which are likely to have an impact in the broader community. Additionally, it is wonderful to see a variety of law staff involved in community engagement activities on behalf of the University at the law school. If you are available, you are most welcome to come to the Open Day at Parramatta campus between 10am and 2pm on Sunday 28th August and visit the School of Law and the newly decorated Moot Court.

Law Alumni Dinner 2016

The Western Sydney University Law Alumni Association Occasional Address Dinner was hosted on 5 August at NSW Parliament House by The Honourable Guy Zangari MP, Shadow Minister for Justice of Police, Corrections and Emergency Services and the Law Alumni Association Executive Committee. The keynote speaker was The Honourable Chris Bowen MP, Shadow Treasurer. The event was a great success and a good time was had by all.



YPN's Jason Donnelly with Cabramatta High students Mille Samuelu and Ruqayah Abed, and David Saliba.

STUDENTS MIX WITH LAWYERS AT DINNER

Samantha Hayes

LOCAL students, interested in law, rubbed shoulders with Western Sydney University law alumni at an annual dinner at Parliament House on August 5.

The 23 students are from Prarieewood, Cecil Hills, Miller Technology and Cabramatta high schools, and Patrician Brothers College. Their tickets came courtesy

of the Youth Pathways Network (YPN), a voluntary group set up in 2013 by a group of friends who aimed to lower the high rates of youth unemployment in western Sydney. YPN services are free, run by volunteers who pay for all expenses from their own pockets.

"Western Sydney kids are passionate, driven and eager to build a better life for themselves and their family," David Saliba, president of

the WSU Law Alumni Association and a founding member of YPN, said.

"Our message is simple - anything is possible, work hard and you'll get there, but in the process of getting there, help others."

Since forming in 2013, YPN has held 105 sessions for 9000 students at 35 western Sydney high schools.

To contact YPN, visit <https://www.facebook.com/youthpathwaysnetwork>



Good News - Students

Congratulations to PhD Student Aziz Haque who has been appointed by the Government of Bangladesh, Senior Assistant Secretary at the Ministry of Environment and Forests after considering his PhD area.

Good News - Staff

Professor Steven Freeland

Steven has been Re-elected to the Board of Directors of the Paris-based International Institute of Space Law for a further 3 year term (2016-2019). Also Appointed Visiting Professor (from 2017) at University Toulouse1-Capitole, Toulouse, France.

Research

Associate Professor Alpana Roy

Alpana has been invited to present conference paper at the ADRRN Roundtable, University of Tasmania, Hobart, 9-11 December 2016, titled: 'The auDRP as a case-study of online dispute resolution in Australia'.

Alpana has secured a LexisNexis research project which will count as a category 3 industry grant for the Law School (project total \$15,000).

Professor Razeen Sappideen

Razeen is also part of a research project based on a grant from the Indonesian government with Prof Arskal Salim (PVC Research), Dr Euis Amalia (Vice dean Academic Affairs), and Prof Ahmad Rodoni examining "Contemporary Developments in Islamic Finance in the Asian Pacific region".

Research Seminar Series

On 24 August Nahid Hossain, Deputy Secretary to the Ministry of Public Administration, Government of Bangladesh, presented on Human Rights & Human Trafficking: A Bay of Bengal Perspective



Publications

Professor Michael Head

Professor Michael Head this week sent off the manuscript for the fourth edition of his publication *Administrative Law: Context and Critique*, to be published by the federation Press for the start of 2017.

Professor Steven Freeland

Publication of book review of Emily Crawford, *Identifying the Enemy: Civilian Participation in Armed Conflict*, (2016) 29 *Leiden Journal of International Law* 955-960

Associate Professor Alpna Roy

'Blocking injunctions and collateral damage' (in the *European Intellectual Property Review*)

Tort law as a basis to hold Online Service Providers accountable for infringements of trademark rights: An Australian perspective' (in the *Intellectual Property Quarterly*)

Adjunct fellow William Higgs

William has had accepted for publication 4 book chapters for the Thomson Reuters book 'Lawyers Practice Manual NSW' - Dr William A.J. Higgs LLB (Hons I), BEng (Aero), MER, MBiomedE, PhD Barrister-at-Law. The four chapters cover Liquidation, Bankruptcy acting for the debtor, Bankruptcy acting for the creditor and mortgages.

Engagement

Dr Luke Beck

Luke wrote 'Marriage Equality/Inequality, Religion and the Constitution' on the Australian Public Law Blog (18 August 2016), <https://auspublaw.org/2016/08/marriage-equality/>.

Jason Donnelly

On 17 and 18 August 2016, Jason Donnelly conducted a two-day Advocacy Workshop at the New South Wales College of Law. The Advocacy Workshop provided post-graduate students enrolled in the Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice with some insights into the world of Advocacy, the life of a barrister and the practical ethical underpinnings of the practise of the law.

Professor Michael Adams

In June 2016, Michael was appointed to chair of international committee to develop a qualifying course for the royal chartered body of the Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators (ICSA). The qualification, is a post-graduate admission course, that is taught in the UK, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, Hong Kong, Africa, Malaysia and Singapore. Passing the course leads to the qualifications and title, Chartered Secretary or Chartered Governance Professional. There are four core subjects and a number of specialist electives. My Subject Advisory Committee was for the core unit, Corporate Law, and members from Canada, Zimbabwe, Singapore and Hong Kong. The meetings were all conducted via tele-conferences across multiple time zones and google docs to handle the paperwork. . The final draft was approved in August 2016 and will be presented to the Professional Standards Committee and finally the International Council of the ICSA, later in 2016 with implementation in 2017.

On 25 August, Michael attended the Information Governance ANZ launch hosted by Ernst & Young Sydney.

Dr Stephen Janes

Dr Janes attended a meeting of the College of Law, Wills and Estates Advisory Committee on Thursday 28 July 2016. The Committee has responsibility to oversee the Master of Applied Law (Wills and Estates) course offered the College of Law.

Professor Steven Freeland

Presentation (by invitation) 'Crimes against the Environment under International

Criminal Law', United Nations Association of Australia 2016 Conference, Sydney, 22 July 2016

External reviewer (invited) for submission of article on international criminal law for the [Asia-Pacific Issues Papers](#), published by the US-Based East-West Center, July 2016 and also space law *Acta Astronautica* July 2016

Associate Professor Alpana Roy

Alpana has been invited to present a seminar paper at the Governance Institute, Sydney, Friday 23 September, the following paper titled: 'The name game: Domain name protection in the digital economy'.

Jason Donnelly

Jason has attended New South Wales College of Law Workshops on a number of occasions to assist junior members of the Australian legal profession on principles related to Advocacy, legal ethics in professional practice and law more broadly.

Upon special invitation from Mr Christopher Bradbury (Head Teacher and House Master of History and Legal Studies at the King's School), Jason was invited to give a lecture to members of the King's School on contemporary issues related to social justice and the law. The lecture ran for about 1.5 hours. Jason also spoke about the benefits of studying law at Western Sydney University, and practical aspects of life in the law as an academic and barrister.

Some positive feedback - Dr Lucy Robinson

Dr Lucy Robinson spoke to Hoxton Park High School students a few months ago at a uni day about law. Carol from the Fast Forward program visited the school this month and received the following feedback:

The students mentioned Lucy's talk and some in particular said she really inspired them, and that they want to study law and they said of all the days they have participated in Uni days, Lucy's talk has had the most impact!

