

# J(our)neys v.alum 2015

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Victoria Faculty of Law's Year in Review

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**Dr Nessa Lynch**  
Visiting scholar at the  
School of Law at the  
University College Cork

**Associate Professor  
Nicole Moreham**  
Delivered a keynote address  
at 'The Campbell Legacy:  
a decade of misuse of private  
information' conference

**Professor Susy Frankel**  
Delivered a speech on  
copyright regulation to the  
Association Littéraire et  
Artistique Internationale

**Professor John Prebble**  
Delivered a lecture at  
Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien  
on Kelsenian perspectives  
of income tax law

**Professor Gordon Anderson**  
Presented papers at the second  
conference of the Labour Law  
Research Network

**Professor John Prebble**  
Delivered the opening address  
for the Advanced Master's in  
International Tax Law at the  
University of Amsterdam

**Kate Tokeley**  
Gave a presentation at the  
International Association of  
Consumer Law conference

**Professor David McLauchlan**  
Awarded a Herbert Smith  
Visitorship to conduct  
independent legal research at  
the University of Cambridge

**Professor Tony Smith**  
Awarded the Arthur Goodhart  
Visiting Professorship in Legal  
Science at the University  
of Cambridge

**Professor Susy Frankel**  
Independent expert to  
the World Intellectual  
Property Organization  
**Professor Campbell  
McLachlan QC**  
Appointed to Institut de  
Droit International

**Associate Professor  
Petra Butler**  
Appointed as Co-Director of  
the Centre for Small States  
at Queen Mary College and  
as a Scholar-in-Residence at  
Wilmer Cutler Pickering  
Hale and Dorr LLP

**Sir Kenneth Keith**  
Closing keynote speaker at  
the conference celebrating  
the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversaries of the  
British Law Commissions

**Dr Dean Knight**  
Completed his PhD at the  
London School of Economics

**Sir Geoffrey Palmer**  
Made an Honorary Master of  
the Bench of the Middle Temple

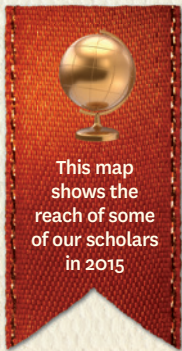
**Professor Susy Frankel**  
Appointed as the first  
Australasian President of the  
International Association  
for the Advancement of  
Teaching and Research of  
Intellectual Property

**Joanna Mossop**  
Presented a paper at the  
Advisory Board on the Law  
of the Sea conference

**Professor Tony Smith**  
Presented a paper at the  
15<sup>th</sup> World Congress of the  
International Association  
of Procedural Law

**Professor Tony Angelo**  
Undertook research on the  
Civil Code of Seychelles

**Professor Susy Frankel**  
Guest speaker at Universitas  
Pelita Harapan's Center  
for International Trade  
and Investment



# From Wellington to the world

All of us are on a journey and at some stage our career paths have led us to Victoria's School of Law, in the heart of our capital city. Today, many of us involved with this world-class faculty are making significant contributions both here and overseas.

*v.alum* 2015 celebrates these personal and collective journeys.



**Associate Professor  
Alberto Costi**

Gave a keynote address at the opening session of the Annual Conference of the Korean Society of International Law

**Sir Geoffrey Palmer**

Attended a meeting of the Asia Pacific Leadership Network for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament

**Sir Geoffrey Palmer**

Appointed as Global Affiliated Professor at the University of Iowa College of Law

**Associate Professor  
Alberto Costi**

Gave a paper on private military and security contractors at the annual conference of the Canadian Council on International Law

**Dr Joel Colón-Ríos**

Panel speaker at symposium on Democracy, Federalism and the Rule of Law

**Dr Grant Morris**

Speaker at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Arts and Humanities in Hawaii

**Dr Guy Sinclair**

Presented a paper at the International Society of Public Law (ICON-S) 2015 Conference

**Reader Yvette Tinsley**

Visited the John Jay College of Criminal Justice as part of her research on jury decision-making

**Professor Graeme Austin**

Organised a conference and undertook research on IP interoperability

**Dr Carwyn Jones**

Delivered a series of public lectures and seminars on indigenous law as part of his Toi huarewa Travelling Fellowship

**Catherine Iorns Magallanes**

Delivered the keynote address at University of Detroit Mercy Law Review Symposium

**Dr Carwyn Jones**

Panel speaker at Native American and Indigenous Studies Association Conference

**Sir Kenneth Keith**

Gave the opening Grotius lecture at the annual meeting of the American Society of International Law

**Dr Joel Colón-Ríos**

Delivered seminars on constituent power and constitution-making at the University of New South Wales Faculty of Law, Gilbert + Tobin Centre of Public Law, and University of Sydney

**Professor Richard Boast QC**

Gave a paper on land and customary tenures in New Zealand to the School of Law, Gadjah Mada University

**Professor Richard Boast QC**

Presented at a conference on land tenure in Tahiti

**Dr Grant Morris**

Presented a paper at the Australian Society of Legal Philosophy Annual Conference

**Dr Nessa Lynch**


Presented a paper at the Crime, Justice and Social Democracy International Conference


**Associate Professor  
Petra Butler**

Organised a workshop for Pacific nations on cross-border dispute resolution

**Your journey**

Share with us the path your career has taken so far.

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 [facebook.com/LawVictoriaUniversityofWellington](https://www.facebook.com/LawVictoriaUniversityofWellington)



# Personal Journeys


## A warm welcome from Professor Mark Hickford, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Law


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It is a great pleasure to be involved in the production of my first *v.alum*—a publication that has a long and strong tradition of celebrating the many achievements and activities of our academics, students and alumni.

In many ways, the new *v.alum* reflects my approach as Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean. I have joined a faculty that is already reputationally-significant and is the custodian of a proud heritage. This inheritance is something to be embraced, with an eye to the future. That means exploring the ways in which we can honour the richness of the past while looking at the steps we can pursue to ensure that the faculty's standing is further enhanced.

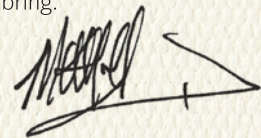
As always, even as we celebrate, these are not times for complacency or contented quiet. In every field of faculty endeavour, we are engaged in forging yet further achievements, deepening relations with alumni and other important communities of interest, and examining whether and how we might improve on what has been done before.

As a Law School, our academic distinctiveness is rooted in our capital city status—something that enables us to engage readily with New Zealand's law and policy-makers and inform law and legal policy issues in New Zealand. We are a community of scholars whose expertise informs and is informed by diverse Wellington communities, including our legal and state sector neighbours, as much as it is by our national and international colleagues.

Increasingly we are seeking to build some of these external relationships into our broader offerings as a Law School. Our short courses for 2016 are evidence of this, and I encourage you to pore over them later in this publication, and consider the many opportunities open to you.

One of the roles I have been privileged to take on since joining Victoria is leading the *Advancing Better Government* strand of the University's strategic plan, an area that crosses disciplines and research within and beyond the University. Heading into 2016, legislative stewardship—the active planning and management of medium and long-term interests and associated advice—will be one focus, as we work to assist understanding and critical thinking about stewardship in the state sector and beyond, including how non-state sector entities engage in thinking about stewardship and what it implies in tangible ways.

*v.alum* is a celebration of the year that's been, and for that I applaud the hard work, dedication and successes that have given flavour to 2015 and are highlighted in the pages ahead. But it also lets us look towards 2016 together with the opportunities and challenges it will undoubtedly bring.





## Our people

### Congratulations to...

**Professor Bill Atkin:** 40 years' service to Victoria's Faculty of Law

**Professor Richard Boast:** appointed Queen's Counsel

**Associate Professor Petra Butler:** appointed as Co-Director of the Centre for Small States at Queen Mary College, London and to the Advisory Boards of Arbitrator Intelligence and the South Asia Democratic Forum

**Professor Susy Frankel:** appointed as the first Australasian President of the International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research of Intellectual Property

**Sir Kenneth Keith:** made an honorary member of the American Society of International Law

**Associate Professor Elisabeth McDonald:** 25 years' service to Victoria's Faculty of Law

**Professor Campbell McLachlan QC:** appointed to Institut de Droit International

**Professor David McLauchlan:** awarded a Herbert Smith Visitorship to conduct independent legal research at the University of Cambridge

**Sir Geoffrey Palmer:** made an Honorary Master of the Bench of the Middle Temple

**Professor Tony Smith:** awarded the Arthur Goodhart Visiting Professorship in Legal Science at the University of Cambridge

**Reader Yvette Tinsley:** elected as one of three New Zealand members of the International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation

### New faces

**Eddie Clark** (LLB(Hons) *VUW*, LLM *Toronto*) joined the faculty as a lecturer after working as a commercial lawyer specialising in regulatory and administrative law, and completing his Master's.

Leading Wellington public and Māori law issues specialist **Professor Mark Hickford** (BA LLB(Hons) *Auck*, DPhil *Oxon*) joined the faculty as Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Law.

**Dr Matteo Solinas** (LLB *Cattolica*, MSC *Bocconi*, LLM *Warw*, PhD *LSE*), most recently from the University of Glasgow's School of Law, took up a senior lectureship in commercial law.

Company law and securities regulation specialist

**Victoria Stace** (LLB(Hons) *Well*, LLM *Camb*) joined the faculty as a lecturer.

**Estair Van Wagner** (JD *Osgoode*, MES *York(Can)*) emigrated from Canada to take up a lectureship, specialising in property and resource management law and feminist legal theory.



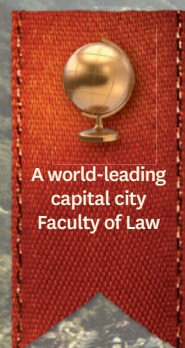
1. Eddie Clark

2. Professor Mark Hickford

3. Dr Matteo Solinas

4. Victoria Stace

5. Estair Van Wagner





# Conferences and events

## Highlights from the calendar

Over 40 public lectures, symposiums, conferences and other events hosted in 2015

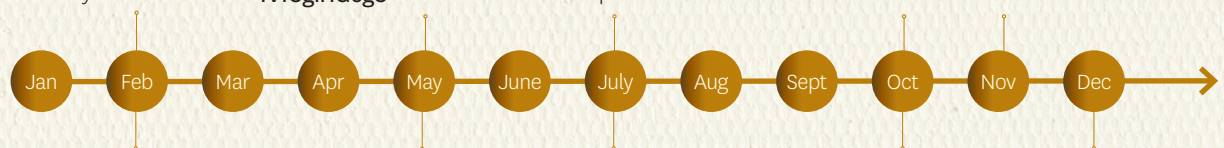
The New Zealand Centre for Public Law (NZCPL) hosted a public lecture on **New Zealand's Defective Law on Climate Change** presented by Sir Geoffrey Palmer.

The NZCIEL organised a panel discussion, **The Rainbow Warrior —a game changer?**, chaired by Linda Clark with Gary Born, Dr Gerard Curry, Sir Kenneth Keith, Bill Mansfield, Sir Geoffrey Palmer and Dr Penelope Ridings. <https://youtu.be/YvTogiHG6go>

The **23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of the Australian and New Zealand Society of International Law** took place at the Law School, and explored the theme 'International Law-Making at a Crossroads: Participants, Processes and Principles'.

The NZCPL brought together a number of Latin American experts for a symposium entitled **Common Grounds—New Zealand & América Latina**.

The **Third Biennial Labour Law Conference** of the New Zealand Labour Law Society was held, exploring the challenges of regulating future labour markets.



The New Zealand Centre of International Economic Law (NZCIEL) ran a workshop with InternetNZ on **Intellectual Property and Regulation of the Internet: The Nexus with Human and Economic Development**.



The Law School hosted an Open House at Old Government Buildings as part of the **Capital 150 celebrations**, with Distinguished Fellow Sir Geoffrey Palmer delivering a public lecture on why Wellington was chosen as the capital. <https://youtu.be/TkotYcX8ALA>

The NZCIEL and the New Zealand Association for Comparative Law hosted a one-day symposium, **Culture and Property: Cultural Property?**

A two-day symposium, **International Organisations and the Rule of Law: Perils and Promise**, was hosted by the New Zealand Centre for Public Law and The International Law Association.

1. A rainbow of colour on the bow of the Rainbow Warrior (photo: Dive North)



# Destination: Wellington

## Visitors to the faculty in 2015



2. Gary Born

3. Professor Jeremy Waldron

4. Professor Peter Mirfield  
(photo: Jesus College Oxford)

### International visitors

**Professor José E. Alvarez**, Herbert and Rose Rubin Professor of International Law at New York University School of Law, was keynote speaker at a two-day symposium co-hosted by the NZCPL and the International Law Association.

Leading international commercial arbitrator and litigator **Gary Born** was the inaugural Senior Visiting Research Fellow for the NZCIEL.

**Dr Virginia Mantouvalou**, Reader in Human Rights and Labour Law and Co-Director of the University College of London Institute for Human Rights, was keynote speaker at the Labour Law conference.



**Professor Peter Mirfield** from the University of Oxford was the fourth visiting Borrin Fellow in the Law Faculty and

delivered a public lecture on the right to confrontation in three common law jurisdictions.

World authorities on international intellectual property law—**Professor Ruth Okediji**, William L. Prosser Professor of Law at the University of Minnesota; **Professor Margot Bagley**, Hardy Cross Dillard Professor of Law at the University of Virginia; **Professor Annette Kur** from the Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition; and **Professor Peter Drahos** from Australian National University—visited to participate in a NZCIEL workshop on the internet and intellectual property, co-hosted by NZCIEL Research Affiliate **Professor Daniel Gervais** from Vanderbilt Law School.

**Professor Jeremy Waldron**, currently based at the New York University School of Law will deliver the annual Robin Cooke Lecture on ‘Rule by Law: A Much Maligned Preposition’.





# Alumni stories

## Successes, words of wisdom and farewells

### Alumni achievements in 2015

Judge Peter Boshier (LLB(Hons) 1975) was appointed the new Chief Ombudsman.

Karen Clark QC (LLB 1986) was appointed a Judge of the High Court in Wellington.

Professor Roger Clark (BA LLB 1964; LLM 1967; Hon LLD 2014) was honoured with a book of essays, *For the Sake of Present and Future Generations*, written by 41 global contributors.

David Coull (BCom 1995 LLB(Hons) 1997) was picked as one of the world's best energy lawyers by *Who's Who Legal*.

Rosemary Gordon (BA 1984, LLB 1987) was made a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for services to legal education.

Caleb McConnell (BCom LLB(Hons) 2014) won the Robin Oliver 2015 Tax Policy Competition.

Sam McMullan (BA LLB(Hons) 2009) was awarded a Pegasus Scholarship to work in barristers' chambers in London.

Dr Caroline Morris (BA 1996 LLB(Hons) 1997) was appointed Co-Director of the Centre for Small States at Queen Mary College in London, along with Associate Professor Petra Butler.

Former Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Law  
Matthew Palmer QC (LLB(Hons) 1987) was appointed a Judge of the High Court in Auckland.

Audley Sheppard (LLB(Hons) 1983, BCom 1984) was appointed Queen's Counsel in the United Kingdom.

Stacey Shortall (BCA 1994, LLB 1995) won the Community and Not-for-Profit category at the 2015 Women of Influence Awards for her pro bono work with disadvantaged children.

Victoria Spackman (BA 1998, LLB 2001) won the Arts and Culture category at the 2015 Women of Influence Awards for her role in reviving Bats Theatre.

Genevieve Taylor (BA LLB(Hons) 2012) was named a James Kent Scholar on completing her LLM at Columbia Law School—the highest honour Columbia awards to graduates, equivalent to magna cum laude.

Liesle Theron (LLB(Hons) 1998) was appointed convenor of the New Zealand Law Society's Law Reform Committee.

Dr Warren Young, former Professor of the faculty was made a Companion of the Queen's Service Order for services to the law.

### A fond farewell to:

Emeritus Professor Gordon Orr, who was a faculty member from 1978 to 1987 with a period as dean. Over a long career he was a senior member of Crown Law Office, deputy chairman of the State Services Commission, Secretary for Justice and, after retiring from Victoria, a member of the Waitangi Tribunal. He also served as a member of the University Council. The University Foundation has established the Gordon Orr Prize in his honour to encourage and support Māori students in the Law Faculty.

Sir Ivor Richardson PCNZM, former member and dean of the faculty, who had a long and distinguished legal career culminating in his presidency of the Court of Appeal from 1978 to 2002. After his retirement, Sir Ivor maintained close links with the faculty as a distinguished fellow. He was a very welcome regular presence in Old Government Buildings, where he would read in the Library or attend lectures, seminars and the meetings of the Editorial Board of the New Zealand Universities Law Review. His wisdom and companionship is much missed.

Professor Roger Clark  
with editor of *For the Sake  
of Present and Future  
Generations*, Suzannah Linton





## Where are they now?

The Chapman Tripp Prize was established to mark the firm's centenary in 1975. It is awarded to the best student graduating LLB or LLB(Hons) each year. Here we connect with recent prizewinners and find out where life has taken them following graduation.

We asked them these three questions:

- ➊ Where are you living and working now?
- ➋ What's a stand-out memory from your time at Law School?
- ➌ What piece of advice would you give to a 2015 Law graduate?



**2006: Karen Hodgson (nee Jackson)**

➊ I'm living in Petone and working part-time as a senior lawyer at

Community Law Wellington and Hutt Valley. The rest of the time I am home with my son Ari. ➋ The great experience I gained, the wonderful students and lecturers I met, and good friends I made as a torts tutor for two years. ➌ Keep an open mind about where a law degree can take you!



**2007: Will Thomson**

➊ I'm living in Sydney and working at a private equity firm with a focus on global

infrastructure investment. ➋ Walking the halls of Old Government Buildings with the country's leading legal minds, when the Supreme Court was occupying the top floor. ➌ Be confident that Victoria's Law Faculty has equipped you with a world-class education that will put you on a level footing with the best students globally.



**2008: Lisa Tat**

➊ I live in London. I'm currently a senior associate at a firm called Herbert Smith Freehills,

but will shortly be leaving to take up a VP role in the M&A legal team at Barclays Bank. ➋ Seeing my 400-level dissertation published in the Victoria University of Wellington Law Review (I never thought I was smart enough to have an article published...). ➌ Remember that first impressions do count and be open to new opportunities and challenges.



**2009: Grace Thomas-Edmond**

➊ I'm living and working in Wellington as an Associate in the commercial

team at AJ Park. ➋ Having four law exams in eight days. I don't think I've ever worked harder! ➌ Try different things and different work places—it can take a while to find the right place.



**2010: Chris Harker**

➊ I'm working in the corporate legal team at EY in London but will be returning to New Zealand (and Russell McVeagh) next year.

➋ The discussion-based seminars as part of the honours programme. It allowed us to dig into areas we were interested in, and, while they were very challenging, have a bit of "fun" with the law. ➌ Think about where you see yourself in five or ten years' time. If you're interested in doing some overseas travel, consider working for a few years first to get some experience (and savings!) under your belt—London is expensive!



**2011: David Bullock**

➊ I'm living in Auckland and working at the commercial litigation firm LeeSalmonLong. ➋

Being right in the heart of Wellington, surrounded by all branches of government, and being able to discuss the topical issues of the day with a great group of like-minded people. ➌ Take every opportunity that is presented to you to do something new, have the courage to follow your passion, and strive to find a way to use the skills you have learned in law school to make a real difference.



**2012: Adèle Garrick (nee Taylor)**

➊ I'm living in Wellington, working at Luke Cunningham Clere, the

Crown Solicitor. ➋ I have lots of good memories of my time involved in the Wellington Community Justice Project. ➌ Don't be afraid to explore job opportunities that are different to what everyone else is doing—or different to what you have always thought you would do.



**2013: Lauren Brazier**

➊ I'm living in Wellington, working at Bell Gully in the Litigation Team. ➋

Attending the Vis Moot competition in Vienna, Austria. I also absolutely loved the three years I spent tutoring LAWS 211 (The Law of Contract). ➌ Victoria's Faculty of Law provides a world-class legal education, so make the most of it and take the opportunities that come your way as a result.



**2014: Laura Hardcastle**

➊ I'm living in Wellington and working in the litigation team at Bell Gully. ➋ Doing a presentation on how a

scholarly article on constitutionalism resembled the story of *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*. ➌ Just because you don't know what the picture is yet doesn't mean you can't have a lot of fun doing the jigsaw.



# The journey starts here

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## Student achievements and activities in 2015

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### Presidential handover



Outgoing Law Students' Society President Geordie Johnson handed over the reins to new president Victoria Rea in October. Victoria is from Christchurch and due to finish her LLB and BA (international relations and public policy) at the end of 2017. Geordie moves from one presidency to another, taking on the role of President of the New Zealand Law Students' Association for 2016.

Geordie says 2015 has been a fantastic year for the Law Students' Society. "We've expanded our membership base, focused on younger students and formalised relationships with other law-based groups around Old Government Buildings to make sure we're representing as wide a group of students as possible."

For Victoria, the Law Students' Society in 2016 will be all about community and engagement. "Having come from a big family I have a strong sense of what it's like to belong and feel that sense of affiliation. It is this that I wish to continue to foster in the law school environment. Though we come from diverse backgrounds, ideologies, life experiences and beliefs, the one thing currently bonding us together is our time at Law School."

### Stellar students

**Conor Donohue** and **Teja Kandarpa** won the 13<sup>th</sup> Red Cross International Law Moot in Hong Kong, with Conor named as best mooter of the competition.

**Kohe Ruwhiu** was part of the winning team at the National Māori Moot Competition at Waitangi, taking home the Manukura Taonga.

**Eve Bain** and **Fayez Shahbaz** won the national final of the Russell McVeagh Client Interviewing competition and will represent New Zealand at the Louis M Brown and Forrest S Mosten International Client Consultation Competition in 2016.

**Nathalie Harrington** won the EC Adams Memorial Prize in Land Law for her paper "Te Akau Block 1865–1913: A Case Note".


**Georgia Cameron** and **William Steel** represented Victoria in the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) International Commercial Mediation Competition in Paris.

**Luke Archer** and **Jasmin Moran** made the semi-finals of the Brown Mosten International Client Consultation Competition in Nebraska, USA.

**Ruby Sands** was one of five young New Zealanders selected to take part in the 33Sixty Commonwealth-focused leadership programme in Malta.

**Nick Fargher**, **Amelia Wheeler** and **Mitchell Fraser** were selected for the New Zealand Universities Delegation to the Harvard National Model United Nations conference next February.

For more student prizewinners:

 [www.victoria.ac.nz/law/study/awards-scholarships](http://www.victoria.ac.nz/law/study/awards-scholarships)





1. Joanna Mossop, Teja Kandarpa,  
Conor Donohue and Associate  
Professor Alberto Costi in Hong Kong  
2. National Māori Moot at Waitangi

### Wellington Community Justice Project



Over 200 law students signed up to be part of the Wellington Community Justice Project in 2015, a student-led society that aims to improve access to justice in the community while providing valuable practical experience for students.

Key initiatives included the Rights Education Project which delivered a record-breaking 152 presentations to young people about their legal rights. The Law Reform team also broke new ground when asked to brief Michael Kirby, former justice of the High Court of Australia, on the current state of animal welfare in New Zealand. The Human Rights team were engaged in a project with the Harvard Kennedy School of

Government on domestic violence against women from a New Zealand perspective, while the advocacy team helped pilot the Welfare Support Project which assists offenders in need of financial support.

[www.wellingtoncjp.org](http://www.wellingtoncjp.org)

### Climate action

Over 40 students have been working together throughout 2015 to deconstruct an agreement that could set a timetable for drastically reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

The students have provided analysis and commentary on the draft negotiating text for COP21, the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Paris.



They will continue to provide legal analysis of the agreement, in order to promote national action in respect of its provisions.

[www.paristext2015.com](http://www.paristext2015.com)

### Patron's Lecture

Chief Justice Dame Sian Elias delivered the Law Students' Society's annual Patron's Lecture in August, on the Magna Carta and its relevance to the New Zealand Constitution.

Nearly 150 current and former students turned out to hear the lecture, which Law



Students' Society President Geordie Johnson says was a great opportunity to get an insight into one of the most prominent legal minds in the New Zealand legal community.

### Russell McVeagh Law Ball 2015



The Law Students' Society hosted one of its biggest-ever law balls in July with over 650 students (and a few faculty members) joining the festivities at Te Papa Tongarewa.

<http://on.fb.me/1YqaMgh>

3. Wellington Community Justice  
Project Executive



# Research in progress

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**“Intellectual growth should commence at birth  
and cease only at death.”** Albert Einstein

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Research in 2015 supported by:



## Protection of privacy

Recipient of a five-year Rutherford Discovery Fellowship in 2011, Dr Nicole Moreham has recently completed one of the key outputs, submitting the manuscript for the third edition of *The Law of Privacy and the Media*. As well as writing nearly a third of the book's chapters, Nicole is principal editor. The book covers all aspects of the English law of privacy as it affects 'new' and traditional media, including the misuse of private information action, breach of confidence, harassment, intrusion, data protection, copyright, regulatory codes and procedure.

Nicole's next project—and the main focus of her Rutherford Discovery Fellowship—is completion of a monograph on the English privacy tort.

📄 <http://bit.ly/hQvOQxL>





1. Dr Nicole Moreham
2. Māmari Stephens, co-leader of the Legal Māori Project
3. Professor Graeme Austin

### Online bilingual tool first of its kind

The latest output of Te Kaupapa Reo-a-Ture (the Legal Māori Project)—co-led by Māmari Stephens—enables users to explore the Māori language and its vocabulary in a way that has not been easily possible before.

Te Pokapū Reo Ture (the Legal Māori Resource Hub) is an interactive online hub that allows users to browse contemporary and historical Māori language texts, look up word meanings, and test new or old Māori words against an enormous document bank.

[www.legalmaori.net](http://www.legalmaori.net)

### Overlooked law could require damp-free rentals



Research by Victoria's Dr Mark Bennett and Dr Sarah Bierre and Professor Philippa Howden-Chapman from Otago University's

public health department has uncovered a potential tool to force landlords to provide damp-free housing.

The Housing Improvement Regulations 1947, which require a home to be free from dampness, were developed to protect people from living in unhealthy homes. However, a review of Tenancy Tribunal hearings by the researchers indicate it is not being used. Since it was published the paper has received considerable attention in media and government circles.

<http://bit.ly/1NQrIY8>

### South East Asian IP research

The coordination of intellectual property laws of ASEAN countries is the focus of research being undertaken by Professor Graeme Austin.

Professor Austin is collaborating with Associate Professor Elizabeth Siew-Kuan NG, from the National University of Singapore Law School. Their research is bringing together leading scholars and experts in IP and private international law to consider the need and potential benefits of making IP systems more interoperable in ASEAN and beyond. The research will form part of a forthcoming book which will be published by Cambridge University Press.

<http://bit.ly/1NRLx4e>

### Rewriting the law with a feminist lens



Associate Professor Elisabeth McDonald is co-leading research that will cast a feminist light on key judgments in

New Zealand's legal history.

The Feminist Judgments Project Aotearoa, funded by the Law Foundation, is asking scholars to take a feminist perspective to write alternative judgments for a number of significant cases. Alongside each judgment, another scholar will write a commentary, providing the legal, social and political context at the time of the judgment. The outcome of the project will be an edited collection of judgments, published as a book by the end of 2017.

<http://bit.ly/1GQap4E>

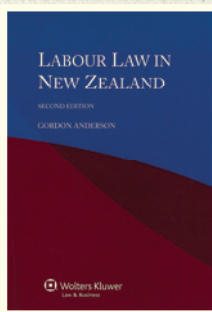




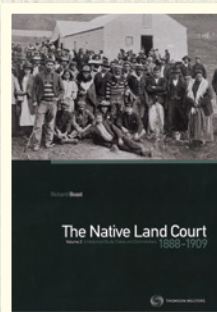
# Words of wisdom

## Books, papers and special issues

### Books authored by faculty members



Anderson G J, *Labour Law in New Zealand* (Wolters Kluwer, Alphen aan den Rijn, 2015), 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.



Boast R P, *The Native Land Court Volume 2: A Historical Study, Cases and Commentary 1888-1909* (Wellington, Thomson Reuters, 2015).



Butler P, Butler A S, *The New Zealand Bill of Rights Act: A Commentary* (Wellington, Lexis Nexis, 2015), 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.



Frankel S R, *Test Tubes for Global Intellectual Property Issues: Small Market Economies* (Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2015).



Lynch N, Campbell L, *The Collection and Retention of DNA from Suspects in New Zealand* (Wellington, Victoria University Press, 2015).

For a full list of published research in 2015, visit

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## Legal research papers online

Domestic violence law, whaling in the Southern Ocean, corporate crime and estate planning are just some of the many topics explored in research papers published by the Faculty of Law in 2015. The papers feature in the *Victoria University of Wellington Legal Research Papers E-Journal*, edited by Professor John Prebble and hosted by the Social Science Research Network, an electronic database commonly known as SSRN.

In 2015 a new research paper series was launched showcasing a selection of Honours and postgraduate papers. *The Student and Alumni of Victoria University of Wellington Law Faculty Series* is collated and edited by Māmari Stephens and student sub-editor Alora Johnson.

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## Special issue of VUWLR honouring Professor Atkin

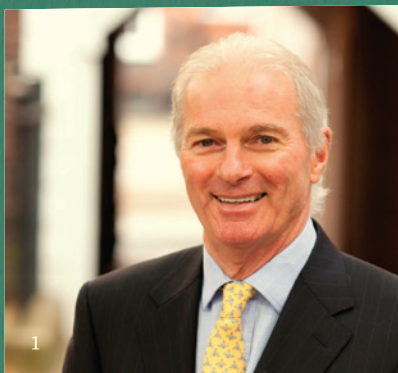


A special issue of the Victoria University of Wellington Law Review was launched in October, celebrating

Professor Bill Atkin's 40<sup>th</sup> year at the Faculty of Law and honouring the breadth of his influence as a legal academic.

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## "No matter how successful your journey, please keep your door open..." John McLinden



1. John McLinden

2. Professor John Charles Thomas with his wife Ruth

## An email from a donor to star students



From: John McLinden

To: Nathalie Harrington; Teja Kandarpa

Subject: Thomas Prize in Mooting 2015

Dear Nathalie and Teja,  
I would like to congratulate you on your success. Mooting in this competition is a voluntary activity which comes on top of all the other demands on you, academically and privately. Although this is extra stress, the effort that you expend is likely to pay handsome dividends later, because it gives you experience in the skills of researching, preparing and delivering your argument.

I give the Thomas Prizes in the name of Professor John Charles Thomas, a former lecturer and Dean of the Law Faculty at Victoria. This is because I think he epitomized the finest qualities that one ever might want to find in a lawyer. How is that relevant to you? One of John's qualities was that he was inspirational. Somehow despite his busy professional life he managed to find the time and patience to guide and assist and encourage prospective young lawyers. Your achievements in the mooting competition herald promising careers. May I ask you both that no matter how successful and important you become in later life, please keep your door open to students and to people starting a career in the law in order to inspire them, as John did.

Warmest regards and best wishes,  
John McLinden,  
Field Court Chambers,  
London



# Moving ahead

## Updates from our centres of research excellence



1. At the Magna Carta trial, L to R: Liesle Theron, Pita Roycroft, Mihiata Pirini, Jack Hodder QC with Justice William Young (front)



2. The Rainbow Warrior—a game changer? panel discussion, L to R: Dr Penelope Ridings, Sir Kenneth Keith, Sir Geoffrey Palmer, Linda Clark (chair), Bill Mansfield, Dr Gerard Curry and Gary Born

3. Treaty of Waitangi Act “fireside chat” with Katherine Ryan and Justice Joe Williams

### New Zealand Centre for Public Law



A major highlight for the Centre this year was our Landmarks series, which celebrated a number of key legal anniversaries that fell during 2015.

In June, we put Magna Carta (b. 1215) on trial in the old Supreme Court building. Charged with being “irrelevant and obsolete”, the great charter was acquitted—just! Hear the case for and against, as argued by members of the local legal community before Justice William Young, on our website.

In October, we marked the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Treaty of Waitangi Act with a cosy “fireside chat” (minus fireside)



between RNZ’s Katherine Ryan and Justice Joe Williams. For those who yearn a deep insight into the social and cultural contribution of the Waitangi Tribunal, this inspirational interview is also available on our website.

November saw a panel of experts discussing the famous decision of Lord Camden in *Entick v Carrington* (celebrating its 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year). Refresh your memory of this important case by viewing a brief video on our website—an animated précis of the facts and the important ruling, written by two senior law students.

The New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 also recently entered its 25<sup>th</sup> year and we have plans to honour this anniversary too.

Other highlights, in addition to our series of public lectures, included a broadcast panel discussion on the Rainbow Warrior (co-hosted with NZCIEL); hosting the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual conference of the Australian and New Zealand Society for International Law in July, and two symposia held in early December on international humanitarian law and on international organisations respectively.

In November, Dr Dean Knight was appointed as co-director of the Centre (with Professor Claudia Geiringer) and Dr Guy Sinclair as an associate director (with Dr Carwyn Jones). As well, retired Professor of Political Science Dr Elizabeth McLeay has re-joined the Centre as a senior research fellow.

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### New Zealand Centre of International Economic Law



The New Zealand Centre of International Economic Law (NZCIEL) is a research-intensive centre and this year saw much research development.

In February, the Centre hosted the third of a series of InternetNZ-sponsored international intellectual property events. ‘The Internet and Intellectual Property: The Nexus with Human and Economic Development’ involved several renowned international scholars presenting their work for discussion, with participation from Justice Joe Williams and




government officials. An open-access book developed from that event is in progress. The book from the second InternetNZ event, 'The Internet and the Emerging Importance of New Forms of Intellectual Property' is also well underway.

NZCIEL's Research Affiliates have been active. In Jakarta, Dr Michelle Limenta, Chair of the World Trade Organisation Program in Indonesia at the Pelita Harapan University, hosted a roundtable event about International Issues and Indigenous Peoples' Traditional Knowledge. Monique Costi presented her work on international financial regulation at the Canadian Council of International Law.

In October, NZCIEL hosted four visitors from the University of French Polynesia who presented papers at 'Culture and Property: Cultural Property?' (an NZCIEL and New Zealand Association for Comparative Law event). Other speakers included the Law School's Māmari Stephens, Professor Mark Hickford, Professor Richard Boast and PhD student Jhonny Pabon.

Other highlights of the year were a panel discussion, including the NZCIEL's inaugural Senior Research Fellow Gary Born, on the legal and political results of the sinking of the Greenpeace's The Rainbow Warrior; a much-in-demand lecture delivered by Associate Professor Meredith Lewis about Mega-Regional Trade Agreements; and NZCIEL Director Professor Susy Frankel discussing the implications of the Trans-Pacific Partnership intellectual property and investment chapters in various media.

NZCIEL is grateful to the Wellington government and business community for its ongoing and necessary support of the Centre's activities.

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## Māori Law Review

### Māori Law Review

A MONTHLY REVIEW OF LAW AFFECTING MĀORI

The Māori Law Review has enjoyed another busy year, with co-editors Senior Lecturer Dr Carwyn Jones and Senior Crown Solicitor Craig Linkhorn ably supported by student editor Toni Love, five consultant editors, over 30 contributing writers and 24 student volunteers from Victoria.


As well as publishing monthly issues on law affecting Māori, we delivered a successful Indigenous Law Speaker Series in Wellington and Auckland. Speakers included Victoria Distinguished Fellow Sir Kenneth Keith, alumni and recent Harvard graduates Natalie Coates and Horiana Irwin, justice reform advocate Kim Workman, indigenous rights advocate Tracey Whare, Wackrow Williams and Davies Director Bernadette Arapere and Buddle Findlay partner Paul Beverley.

3. Alumni and recent Harvard graduates Natalie Coates and Horiana Irwin

4. Dr Carwyn Jones with justice reform advocate Kim Workman

Victoria alumnus Max Harris' book review of Gareth Morgan and Susan Guthrie's *We There Yet?* in the April issue prompted an exchange of opinions that has not only been a very popular piece but has been widely circulated and discussed—making an important contribution to the discourse around the Treaty.

Student Monique van Alphen Fyfe won the annual Sir Edward Taihakurei Durie student essay competition for her essay on the proposed reforms to Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993, which will be published in the February 2016 issue. The Māori Law Review also sponsored Te Hunga Roia Māori o Aotearoa Hui-a-Tau, publishing a special issue in November with keynote addresses from Chief Justice Sian Elias, Dame Lowell Goddard, Justice Joe Williams, and Māori Land Court Deputy Chief Judge Caren Fox.

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LAWS 522	<b>Public Law: State, Power and Accountability</b>	Dr Dean Knight	<b>BLOCK:</b>	Tue 8 Mar, Sat 9 Apr, Sat 7 May, Fri 22 & Sat 23 Jul, Tue 20 Sep, Tue 11 Oct Tue 5.30-7.20pm/Fri 4.40-8.30pm/ Sat 9-5pm
LAWS 551	<b>New Zealand and Australian Intellectual Property Law</b>	Professor Susy Frankel	<b>INTENSIVE:</b>	19 Mar, 2 Apr 9.30am-4.30pm
LAWS 527	<b>Markets, Competition and Regulation*</b>	Dr James Every-Palmer, barrister	<b>INTENSIVE:</b>	6-8, 13-15 Apr 9-5pm
LAWS 536	<b>Trade Mark Law and Unfair Competition</b>	Professor Susy Frankel	<b>INTENSIVE:</b>	5-10 May 9.30am-4.30pm
LAWS 548	<b>Advanced Mediation</b>	Annabel Shaw and Geoff Sharp, commercial mediator and barrister	<b>BLOCK:</b>	Fri & Sat: 29 & 30 Jul, 19 & 20 Aug 9-5pm
LAWS 545	<b>Security, Government and the Law*</b>	Kevin Riordan, barrister and former director general of Defence Legal Services and Associate Professor Alberto Costi	<b>BLOCK:</b>	Fri & Sat: 5 & 6 Aug, 19 & 20 Aug, 23 & 24 Sep Fri 5.40-7.30pm/Sat 9.30-3.30pm
LAWS 541	<b>Law of Privacy*</b>	Associate Professor Nicole Moreham and Katrine Evans	<b>BLOCK:</b>	Fri & Sat: 22 & 23 Jul, 12 & 13 Aug, 16 & 17 Sep, 14 & 15 Oct Fri 4.40-6.30pm/Sat 9.30-2.30pm
LAWS 542	<b>Legislative Design, Drafting and Law-Making*</b>	Sir Geoffrey Palmer	<b>BLOCK:</b>	Fri & Sat: 15 & 16 Jul, 5 & 6 Aug, 9 & 10 Sep, 7 & 8 Oct Fri 3.40-5.30pm/Sat 9.30-2.30pm
LAWS 537	<b>Patent Law*</b>	Professor Susy Frankel	<b>BLOCK:</b>	3, 4, 10, 11 Aug, 7, 8, 14, 15 Sep 4.40-7.30pm
LAWS 525	<b>International Commercial Contracts</b>	Associate Professor Petra Butler	<b>BLOCK:</b>	Tri 2: Wed 13, 20 & 27 Jul, Sat 30 Jul, Wed 3, 10, 17 Aug Wed 5.40-7.30pm/Sat 9-5pm Tri 3: 21-25 Nov 5.40-8.30pm
LAWS 528	<b>Water Law and Policy*</b>	Professor Lee Godden, University of Melbourne Law School	<b>INTENSIVE:</b>	Mon-Fri: 12-16 Sep 9-5pm
LAWS 529	<b>Constitutional Change and Government Law</b>	Sir Kenneth Keith	<b>INTENSIVE:</b>	17, 18, 21, 22, 23 Nov 9-5pm

\* Simulcast/co-taught in Auckland



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