Introduction

This fortnight there are a number of events that have occurred. Of most significance is the passing of Professor Michael Jeffery QC on 15th July in Calgary, Canada. His wife, Prof Donna Craig, was with him and his sons. He will be missed by everyone at the School of Law and the broader UWS and environmental law community.

School of Law Prize Night

Thank you for all the staff who were able to come and be involved in this year’s Law Prize Night held on 11 July.

The sponsors and students were all very impressed by the evening. Our acting VC gave a very positive speech, as did Judge Tom Altobelli provide inspiration for all lawyers. John Juriansz was the ideal MC and two highlights were awarding the first Robert Hayes Memorial Scholarship by Elayne Hayes and granting Mac Collings the Adjunct Professorship status he deserves.

It is events like this that remind all of us why we do what we do and that we can really make a difference in the lives of our law students.

Good News: Student Matters

Ling Ling He

Congratulations to Ling Ling He who will be conferred her PhD in September. Ling Ling was supervised by Professors Razeen and Carolyn Sappideen.

Ling Ling has been a tenurable Lecturer B at the University of Southern Queensland, Toowoomba, since March of this year and is teaching Corporations Law and International Trade Law to LLB students.

She has published 12 articles, 8 of them co-authored (5 of which are in ISI/SSCI Journals). A sample of her publications can be found on her ssrn site.

UWS Team wins the Spirit of Enactus Award

The UWS Enactus team (previously known as SIFE) won the Spirit of Enactus award at the National Enactus Competition at the Sydney Hilton last week.

Enactus is an international organisation which describes itself as “a community of student, academic and business leaders committed to using the power of entrepreneurial action to transform lives and shape a better more sustainable world”. University students create and implement community empowerment projects and present these projects at national competitions. The winners of the national competitions compete for the world cup.

The Australian national competition has a very high profile and is attended by a large number of business leaders who sponsor the event as well as offer advice on applying for prestigious graduate programs at their organisations. Great exposure for our students. The competition last week was extremely competitive with 24 Australian universities participating. The team from UNE was the winner and UWA was the runner up.
The UWS team was very ably led by Jaramie Nejal, a Business/Law student who is also the UWS Enactus President – an extremely capable student who managed the team impressively. The three team members were Sarah Ayoub, Jacqueline Scott and Alyce Taraboulosis, all Master of Teaching students.

News from the Law Students Association:

Over the last 10 days a number of students have been battling it out against law schools from around Australia and New Zealand in Perth at the Australian Law Students' Association annual conference. We had representatives from UWS in every competition and a big congratulations goes out to all of those who participated.

This year, UWS has been victorious in the Paper Presentation competition. A very big and extra special congratulations goes out to Kritika Rampal, who beat all of the other entrants and is bringing home the first place Championship Shield for the Paper Presentation competition to be displayed in the UWS Law School.

Research & Scholarships

Professor Steven Freeland

Interviewed on ABC News 24 TV program ‘The World’ regarding the International Court of Justice case between Australia and Japan on whaling, 10 July 2013

External examiner (by invitation) of PhD submitted to McGill University, Canada

Appointed (by invitation) to the UWS Justice Research Group

Professor Steven Freeland, has featured in Saturday’s Sydney Morning Herald on 20 July 2013 discussing Australia’s court case against the Japanese whaling program in the International Court of Justice.

Professor Michael Adams

Prof Michael Adams was interviewed on Sky Business News television on Wednesday 17th July on the topic of directors duties, based upon his presentation to the NSW Law Society.

Publications

Professor Michael Adams

A new edition of Australian Corporate Law, LexisNexis:Butterworths, 4th edition 2013 [ISBN 9780409333510] with Jason Harris (UWS law alumni) and Associate Professor Anil Hargovan of UNSW, came out this month.

An article with UWS PhD law student Angus Young and Professor Michael Adams has been published in the UK. The article is “Schemes of arrangement for creditors in Hong Kong: Enhancing Hong Kong’s scheme and lessons from Australia” (2013) volume 10(4) International Corporate Rescue pages 233-239.

Dr Daud Hassan

Dr Hassan has signed a book contract with Earthscan-Routledge. The book will be published as-D Hassan, T Kuokkanen and N Soininen (eds), Transboundary Marine Spatial Planning and International Law (Earthscan-Routledge, 2014). Editors and a number of very well known experts in the area of the law of the sea will contribute chapter(s) to the book.
Upon invitation Dr Hassan reviewed the following manuscript submitted to *Coastal Management Journal* for publication: *The Legal Regulation of Land Reclamation in China Coastal Area.*

**Mohamed Mowjoon Atham Bawa, PhD Researcher**


**Administration**

Pauline Larsen has been employed on a casual basis to assist at Parramatta 1 day a week with some administrative support. Pauline will be sitting in reception and will generally be here on Fridays.

**Community Engagement**

On Friday 19 July, *Ingrid Matthews* co-presented two *Pathways to Dreaming* workshops at the Campbelltown campus Law School, with *Professor James Arvanitakis*, Head of the Academy at UWS. The workshops were designed to introduce critical thinking to Aboriginal students from high schools in South Western Sydney. Students completed a range of activities and exercises, including a group work scenario which had them describing and deconstructing a game of rugby league for imaginary visiting aliens. The boys from the selective stream at Elizabeth McCarthy High School were particularly swift to grasp our introduction to law as a game of cricket, where the bowler prosecutes the case, and the batsman defends his position - and gets the benefit of the doubt. Many thanks to Anne Mclean and Kristy Bell for the opportunity to be part of this important and fun program.

**Professor Michael Adams**

The NSW Law Society have a series called Thought Leadership and Professor Michael Adams presented on 16th July with Bob Baxt, Dominique Hogan-Doran, Vas Kolesnikoff. The panel discussion was on "Directors Duties" and occurred at the NSW Law Society offices in Phillip Street, Sydney.

On Tuesday 23rd July, Professor Michael Adams, as Dean of Law and representing Western Sydney Community was asked to talk at an event celebrating Coleman Grieg Lawyers being awarded the BRW Best Law Firm in Australia (with a revenue under $50 million). This firm has been a strong supporter of UWS School of Law in a number of ways, in particular their cadetship and employment of UWS law graduates (including the managing partner, Peter Stewart). Coleman Greig lawyers sponsor prizes, speak at the Orientation Camp, other student events and are helping provide source documents for our new core LLB unit, Commercial Transactions Law, in 2014.

There was over 150 people attending an event at Oatlands House, which also had speeches from a key client of Coleman Grieg (President of Asia Pacific of Brady Corp) and retiring former managing partner, Paul Lucas.

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**Professor Michael Adams**

Dean of the School of Law, UWS