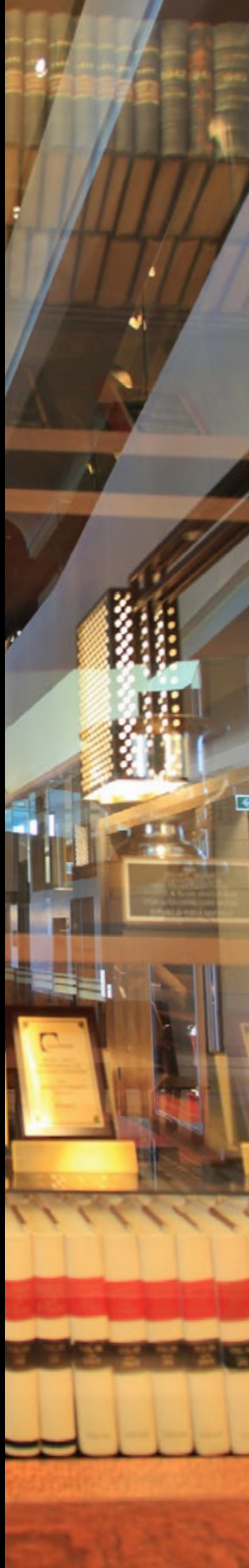


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Good evening and a warm welcome to the sixth David F Jackson Dinner. It is a pleasure to once again have the opportunity to celebrate the outstanding achievements of our students over this past year across a wide variety of advocacy competitions.

I would like to begin by acknowledging the tremendous contribution of our coaches, sponsors and supporters, who enrich our advocacy program with their time, resources and expertise. The achievements outlined throughout the program would not be possible without their generous support.

We have much to celebrate this evening. In 2017, our teams travelled far and wide, meeting with a variety of opportunities and challenges on four different continents.

The year began with our very impressive team of Jessup mooters, who not only claimed a spot in the Final 16 of the international rounds, but who were also recognised for producing the best respondent memorial in the entire competition (contested by some 650 teams globally).

Our Castan Centre Human Rights Law Moot team came away as Grand Champions and our delegation at the Australia Law Students' Association competition again took first place in the Paper Presentation. UQ teams appeared in the grand finals of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal Negotiation Competition, the International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot, and the Judgement Deliberation Competition.

A remarkable number of teams also broke through to the elimination rounds, including teams in the DM Harish International Law Moot, the Willem C Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot, the National Administrative Appeals Tribunal Moot, the HSF/NLU International Negotiation Competition, and the Hon Michael Kirby Contract Law Moot.

While I am very impressed by the achievements of our students noted above and throughout the program, what I enjoy most in my role as Director of Mooting is the opportunity to work with this enthusiastic, dedicated and friendly cohort of students. I continue to be inspired by the high degree of professionalism with which they represent the Law School and by their commitment to the mooting community, many of them giving back as mentors and volunteering to judge in practice moots.

Enjoy the evening!



GENEVIÈVE MURRAY
Director of Mooting



WITH SPECIAL THANKS



THE HON JUSTICE
JOHN BOND
Guest speaker

Justice John Bond was born and educated in Queensland. He has degrees in Commerce (1981) and Laws (1984), both from the University of Queensland, the latter with First Class Honours.

He worked first as a solicitor, and as Associate to the Hon Justice Sir Gerard Brennan at the High Court of Australia, before being admitted to the Bar in 1987.

When he was at the Bar, Justice Bond's practice was devoted entirely to commercial litigation and advice at both trial and appellate level. He took silk in 1999. During the period 2005 to 2014, he was also a part time member of the Queensland Law Reform Commission.

He was the inaugural Chair of the Queensland Bar Association's South Pacific Region Education Committee. In that role he led the Bar Association team

in the conduct of a Commercial Law Litigation and Advocacy Workshops for the PNG Legal Training Institute in Port Moresby in September 2013 and again in September 2014.

He was appointed a Justice of the Supreme Court of Queensland on 30 March 2015. Since November 2015 he has been one of the two judges who conduct the Commercial List of that Court.



DAVID F JACKSON AM QC

The annual mooted dinner is named in honour of our esteemed alumnus David F Jackson AM QC.

Mr Jackson graduated from UQ with a Bachelor of Arts (1963) and Bachelor of Laws in 1964, during which time he worked as Associate to The Hon. Sir Harry Gibbs, then a Judge of the Supreme Court of Queensland who later became Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia. He was awarded the University's Ross Anderson Prize in Constitutional Law in 1963, and the Virgil Power, Henderson and Wilkinson Prizes in 1964. He was called to the Bar in 1964, appointed Queen's Counsel in 1976 and was in private practice in Brisbane until 1985 when he was appointed a Judge of the Federal Court of Australia in Sydney. He left the Court in 1987 and since then has practised at the Bar from Sydney.

Mr Jackson is regarded as one of the nation's most distinguished barristers. His principal areas of practice are: appellate; constitutional law; arbitration; and mediation. He was Head of Chambers at Seven Wentworth (one of Australia's most respected barristers' chambers) from 2002-2014, and the first Head of New Chambers from October 2014 to May 2016.

Mr Jackson has conducted a number of inquiries for national and state governments.

Mr Jackson has appeared in hundreds of matters in the High Court of Australia, in both its original and appellate jurisdiction, and in numerous matters in the federal and state intermediate appeal courts.

He has published frequently and delivered many papers.



DAVID F JACKSON
AM QC FCIArb FACICA



The annual David F Jackson Mooting Dinner is an opportunity for the School to acknowledge and celebrate both team and individual moot performances, and to formally thank our students, coaches and supporters for participating in the UQ moot program.

The development of strong professional relationships is central to the mission of the TC Beirne School of Law. These relationships make it possible for us to work with both law and non-law partners to develop educational experiences that provide students with practical skills that are valued by employers in any profession.

In addition to developing advocacy skills, competitive moot enables students to build their self-confidence and sharpen their research, legal writing and presentation skills.

With the help of our alumni and members of the legal profession, including many former moot competitors, our students achieve tremendous success in national and international moot competitions.

On behalf of the Law School I offer my congratulations to all of the students who have so ably represented The University of Queensland on the national and international stage. I hope you have enjoyed the experience and that you will continue to be a part of the advocacy program moving forward.



PROFESSOR
SARAH DERRINGTON
Dean of Law

CONGRATULATIONS FROM THE **UQLA**

The University of Queensland Law Alumni Association congratulates all the students who participated in moot competitions during 2017.

It is with great pleasure that we also acknowledge the contribution of the many UQ Law alumni who generously share their time and expertise to prepare UQ moot teams for competitions, and in so doing also play an influential role in preparing them for their professional careers.

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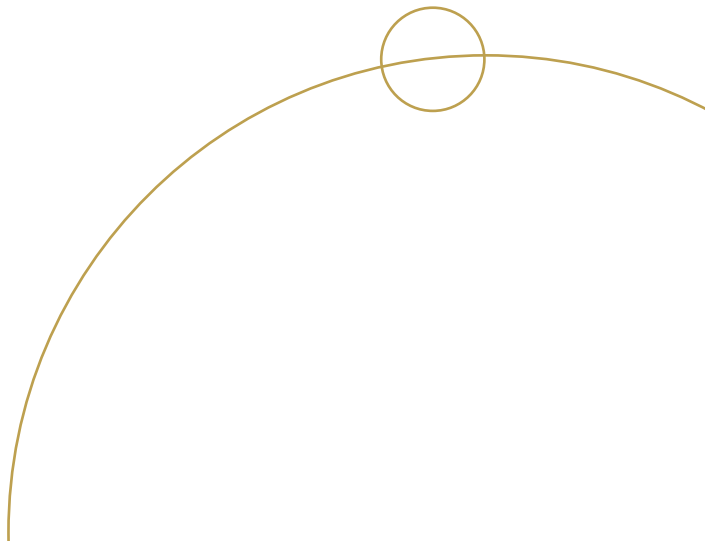


ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

- 6:00pm Drinks served on the Terrace
- 6:20pm Guests move into the Harriet Marks dining hall
- 6:30pm Welcome by Professor Anthony Cassimatis
- 6:35pm Entrée is served
- 6:55pm Main course is served
- 7:15pm Mr Jack Donnelly, ALSA Competitors
- 7:20pm Ms Gillian Gehrke, Domestic Competitors
- 7:25pm Mr Hayden Dunnett, International Competitors
- 7:45pm Professor Cassimatis introduces The Honourable Justice John Bond of the Supreme Court of Queensland
- 7:50pm **After dinner address by The Honourable Justice John Bond**



- 8:05pm Dessert is served
- 8:20pm Presentation of Awards
- UQLS Inaugural Shields
– presented by Ms Sangeetha Badya, President UQLS 2018
- The Bar Association of Queensland
'Best Oralist in a Moot Competition'
– presented by Mr Christopher Hughes QC, President BAQ
- The Queensland Law Society
'Best Moot Team Award'
– presented by Mr Matt Dunn, Acting CEO QLS
- The David Jackson Trophy for **'Outstanding Advocacy'**
– presented by Mr David Jackson AM QC
- 8:40pm Vote of thanks - Ms Sangeetha Badya
- 9:00pm Function concludes



ADVOCACY ACHIEVEMENTS 2017

Team Awards

Castan Centre Human Rights Law Moot

Grand Champions

Philip C Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

Richard R. Baxter Award for the Best Respondent Memorial

Alona E. Evans Award for Best Combined Memorials and Best Respondent Memorial

SPIIL International Law Summit Judgment Deliberation Competition

Best Written Judgment

Willem C Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot

Honourable Mention - Best Memorandum for Respondent

Individual Awards

ALSA Paper Presentation

Winning Paper Presentation - Jocelyn Bosse

Castan Centre Human Rights Law Moot

Best Speaker - Rubaina Seghal

DM Harish Memorial Government Law College International Moot

Alexander O'Hara - Best Overall Speaker

International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot Competition

Best Speaker in the Finals - Penelope Bristow



Finalists

Administrative Appeals Tribunal Negotiating Outcomes On Time Competition

Grand Finalists

ALSA Negotiation Competition

Quarter Finalists

DM Harish Memorial Government Law College International Moot

Quarter Finalists

Herbert Smith Freehills and National Law University, Delhi International
Negotiation Competition

Semi Finalists

International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot Competition

Grand Finalists

Runners-up Best Overall Written Memoranda

National Administrative Appeals Tribunal Moot

Semi Finalists

Philip C Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

Grand Finalists (National Rounds)

SPIL International Law Summit Judgment Deliberation Competition

Grand Finalists



PHILIP C JESSUP INTERNATIONAL LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION

Team members: Josephine Allan
Keilin Anderson
Kate Cincotta
Sophie Ryan
Benjamin Teng

Coaches: Professor Anthony Cassimatis
Ms Camille Boileau
Mr Hugo Clark-Ryan

Results: Richard R. Baxter Award for the Best Respondent Memorial in the entirety of the competition (contested by some 650 teams globally)
Alona E. Evans Award for Best Combined Memorials and Best Respondent Memorial (International Rounds)
Final 16 (International Rounds)
Fourth place after preliminary rounds (International Rounds)
Benjamin Teng – 17th best advocate (International Rounds)
Keilin Anderson – 20th best advocate (International Rounds)
Grand Finalists (National Rounds)



“It takes courage not to be discouraged”. These words, shared with the 2017 UQ Jessup team by Benjamin Ferencz, the last surviving prosecutor of the 1940s Nuremberg trials, are fitting not only in their assessment of the current climate of international relations, but also are often an apt description of the unique challenge posed by the Jessup for its participants. This year, Mr Ferencz’s challenge was embodied in the complex and unique nature of the legal issues raised on the Compromis which, for some of the issues, meant that at the time of our research,

few if any in the international community had yet grappled with them! These issues spanned across many areas, including the utilisation of transboundary aquifers, protection of World Heritage, return of unlawfully obtained cultural property, compensation for refugee-receiving States from the refugee State of origin, and the associated human rights obligations that arise out of and link each of these issues. Our task, in crafting original legal arguments in response to these issues thus often seemed insurmountable. Yet, this is also what makes the Jessup such a deeply enriching intellectual task. This year, our efforts were amply rewarded with fantastic results, both in the National and International Rounds of the competition.



However, the greatest outcome of the Jessup is, of course, the experience. A special thanks to Mr Peter Rawlings (a former UQ Jessuper) and Mrs Emma Rawlings (a UQ Law School alumna) for their generous moral and financial support, which included Peter flying from London to Washington to support the team in the International Rounds!

SPIIL INTERNATIONAL LAW SUMMIT JUDGMENT DELIBERATION COMPETITION

- Team members:** Davina Khoo
Madeline Rodgers
- Mentor:** Dr Barbora Jedlickova
- Results:** Grand Finalists
Best Written Judgment

In February 2017, the team travelled to Mumbai, India as part of UQ's inaugural team for the Judgment Deliberation Competition. The Competition was facilitated by the Students for the Promotion of International Law at Government Law College, and this was the first year that it was open to international universities. The Competition required teams to hand down a judgement on a hypothetical competition law and policy matter. The team produced written and oral submissions in response to a problem concerning European Union and United Kingdom competition law, patent law, and issues of international jurisdiction. After months of research and preparation, they were pleased to make the Grand Finals of the Competition, being awarded Best Written Judgment and Runners Up for the oral judgment. However, no amount of preparation could have adequately prepared us for the dynamic and culturally rich city of Mumbai. We are grateful to have had the opportunity to explore Mumbai and learn more about the Indian legal profession thanks to the hospitality of local law students.



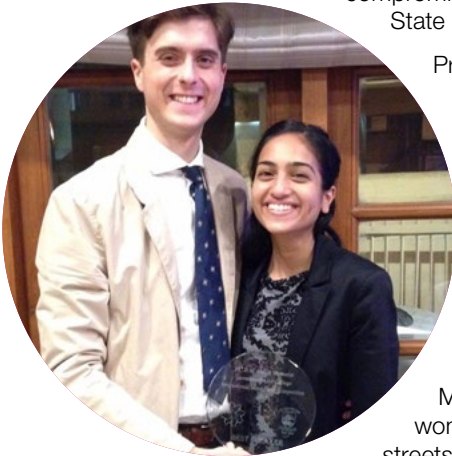
DM HARISH MEMORIAL GOVERNMENT LAW COLLEGE INTERNATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION

Team members: Famin Ahmed
Alexander O'Hara

Mentor: Dr Vicky Comino

Results: Quarter Finalists
Second place after preliminary rounds
Alexander O'Hara – Best Overall Speaker

For the first time, UQ sent a team to the DM Harish International Moot Court Competition, which is held every year in Mumbai (until recently, Bombay). The Competition is now in its eighteenth year, and is considered to be the premier moot competition in India, the world's largest Common Law jurisdiction. The Competition is concerned with International Public Law and features teams from India, Australia, Sri Lanka, the UK and the US. This year, the compromise involved issues relating to the doctrine of State responsibility and international data privacy.



Preparation for the Competition began late in 2016, with many months devoted to legal research and stealing Oppenheim's International Law from the Jessup Moot Team next door. The team benefited from many invaluable practice moots, judged by several Faculty members.

The experience was certainly a unique one, and touched upon aspects of India's long legal history—the Competition held several events in conjunction with members of the Mumbai legal profession. Moreover, it was a wonderful opportunity to experience the bustling streets and Victorian architecture of Mumbai.

INTERNATIONAL AIR LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION

Team members: Hayden Dunnett
Claire Robertson
Matthew Singer

Results: Oral Rounds: Fourth (Applicant) and Seventh (Respondent)
Memorials: Fourth (Applicant)

The team flew to Malta in April to represent The University of Queensland in the Eighth Sarin Memorial Legal Aid Foundation International Air Law Moot Court Competition organised by Leiden University.

The moot focused on issues of international competition in the airline industry and appropriate responses thereto; a relatively undeveloped area of international law. With the University's strong record in previous years, including named champions in 2015, the team spent numerous hours in "the shed" preparing.



THE BAR ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND

In recognition of the central role of advocacy in any barrister's practice the Bar Association of Queensland is proud to sponsor UQ's 2017 'Best Oralist in a Moot Competition' award. This prize provides encouragement to students contemplating entry to the Bar to begin developing the skills a good advocate needs.

The Bar Association of Queensland was established in 1903 as the professional body representing the interests of members of the Bar practising in Queensland. Whilst the Association's scope and functions have since broadened, its primary goals of promoting the rule of law and maintaining the high ethical standards of the Bar remain in place.

Since July 2004, the Association has assumed important regulatory responsibilities under the *Legal Profession Act 2007* (Qld) and issues practising certificates for local legal practitioners who wish to practise as a barrister. Membership is open to all barristers practising in Queensland in addition to interstate barristers and others associated with the legal profession.

The Association's wide range of member benefits and services includes continuing professional development seminars, conferences, mentoring through readership, and on-going professional advice and assistance.

For information visit www.qldbar.asn.au



WILLEM C VIS INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION MOOT

Team members: Michael Chen
Jessica Downing-Ide
Geoff De Groot
Benjamin Gibbons

Coach: Emeritus Professor Gabriel Moens

Results: Top 32 teams
Honourable Mention - Best Memorandum for Respondent

The Willem C Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot is the second largest moot in the world, and we found it to be a truly transformative experience. We were thrown into a fascinating problem that involved catastrophic exchange rate devaluations, an exorbitant anti-money-laundering levy, a form incorrectly filled out by an incompetent solicitor (and, of course, the obligatory refusal to pay up). Confronted with two areas of law foreign to all of us, international arbitration and sale of goods (and even two among us first-time mooters!), we dived headfirst into piles of textbooks and the mystical world of the Kluwer online database. We faced late nights (or early mornings), lock-outs, lock-ins, and spending our Australia Days in a rather sad library room to produce two memoranda we were proud to submit. Our months of tireless work paid off when we had the incredible opportunity to travel to Austria for the moot. We were graciously put up by the University of Graz for a week of pre-moots with their team and various other European universities. None of us will forget the eccentric and flamboyant opening ceremony held at Vienna's famed Staatsoper, where we for the first time truly appreciated the size of the 338-team-strong competition. Thanks to our hard work and the tireless efforts of our coach we were able to progress through to the final rounds of the Moot, and further into the top 32 teams. Gabriël, please don't berate us too much for the length of this paragraph - we promise it was necessary.



ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS TRIBUNAL NEGOTIATING OUTCOMES ON TIME COMPETITION (NOOT)

- Team members:** Amye Fairburn and Suvradip Maitra
Emily McClelland and Julius Moller
- Coach:** Associate Professor Peter Billings
- Mentors:** Ms Jocelyn Bosse
Ms Courtney Giacci
- Results:** Grand Finalists
Second Place (Emily McClelland and Julius Moller)
Fourth Place (Amye Fairburn and Suvradip Maitra)

The competition involved a mock conciliation that tested students' knowledge of administrative law and ability to display empathy and resolve a dispute in a mutually beneficial way. It is the only mock conciliation competition in Australia. This year's problems concerned complex factual and legal issues in relation to civil aviation licensing and workers' compensation. The NOOT included teams from Queensland and, for the first time, South Australia, which provided a unique competition experience. Teams in Queensland competed with teams in South Australia using the AAT's videolink system. It was exciting to see how technology is currently used in the legal profession, and it provided some challenges as teams had to quickly adapt to the new mode of communication.

The standard of competition was very high, but despite this, the limited time-frame for preparation and the unique competition format, the teams successfully made it to the grand final of the NOOT.

Overall, the experience was fulfilling, allowing all members to gain greater insight into administrative law, alternative dispute resolution, and the everyday operations of the AAT.



INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW ARBITRATION MOOT

- Team members:** Antonia Bellas
Penelope Bristow
Jane Hall
Matthew Paterson
- Coach:** Mr Dominic Fawcett
- Mentor:** Professor Sarah Derrington
- Results:** Grand Finalists
Runners-up - Best overall written memoranda
Penelope Bristow - Best speaker in the finals

This year, the competition was held in Singapore. Twenty-six teams from twelve countries competed, including Australia, India, Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Spain, Sri Lanka, France, Turkey, and the UK. This year's problem was an interlocutory application for the sale of cargo on board a drifting vessel. In the background was a colourful fact scenario involving a diabetic crew member with dangerously low supplies, rumours of zombies, and 80 metric tonnes of coal in danger of exploding. The disputed legal issues included the exercise of a lien on trust for another party, the repudiatory breach of contract and its subsequent termination, and the assessment of damages.

In the four general rounds, UQ met the National Law School of India University, the University of Sydney, West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences and the National Law University Odisha. UQ broke seventh. The team beat the University of Sydney in the quarter finals, and the University of Hong Kong in the semi-finals. In the grand final, the team were against the National University of Singapore. The judging panel consisted of Lord Justice Rix, an esteemed UK Admiralty judge, Justice Belinda Ang, a judge of the Singapore Supreme Court, and Andrew Moran QC, a senior English Queen's Counsel and full-time arbitrator. In an entertaining final moot, the home team won by a small margin.



NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS TRIBUNAL MOOT COMPETITION

- Team members:** Nick Wray Jones, Harriet Lomas, and Kirra Uren
Emily Hazzard, Riley King, and Molly McInerney
- Coach:** Associate Professor Peter Billings
- Mentors:** Ms Gillian Gehrke
Ms Jane Hall
- Results:** Semi Finalists (Nick Wray Jones, Harriet Lomas, and Kirra Uren)

Two UQ teams represented the Law School in the AAT moot competition, which comprises five knock-out rounds with a different moot problem at each stage. The AAT Moot competition proved to be an immensely valuable learning experience, as it was a particularly authentic competition, designed to give students insight into the real life of a working solicitor, or barrister. For each round, the teams were challenged by a new area of law, including social security, veterans' affairs, workers' compensation, and immigration. Each topic involved unique issues of policy and highlighted the importance of the AAT's merits review process. The teams improved their advocacy by producing high-quality written and oral arguments in an authentic setting. The moot offered an amazing opportunity to meet new people, and make new friendships.



QUT TORTS MOOT COMPETITION

Team members: Michael Boyce
Tooru Nishido
Isabelle Peart
Pragadesh Sukumar

Coach: Ms Priam Rangiah

This year, the QUT Torts Moot problem concerned the negligence of a doctor who failed to refer a two-year-old girl to paediatric specialists and a hospital that failed to ensure the girl's medical history was effectively communicated between hospital staff. UQ was represented by a team of second-year students who competed with universities from across Australian and the South-Pacific region. The competition was of an extremely high standard and the team gained invaluable advocacy experience and had the opportunity to further extend their knowledge of tort law.



CASTAN CENTRE HUMAN RIGHTS LAW MOOT

- Team members:** Tegan Baker
Kyle Eggins-Allman
Rubaina Seghal
- Coaches:** Dr Rob Mullins
Associate Professor Tamara Walsh
- Mentors:** Ms Anna John
Ms Ella Rooney
- Results:** Grand Champions
Rubaina Seghal – Best Speaker

Earlier this year, we were privileged to represent UQ at the Castan Centre Human Rights Moot in Melbourne. The competition is organised by Monash University's Castan Centre for Human Rights and is based on the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities. The calibre of the other teams was very high and we were challenged by the tight timeframe in which to research the problem and prepare our submissions. Nonetheless, it was a valuable and memorable experience. We were particularly excited to appear before the Honourable Marcia Neave AO, the Honourable Peter Gray and the Honourable Associate Justice Ierodiaconou, defeating the University of Tasmania in the Grand Finals.



HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS AND NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY, DELHI INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATION COMPETITION

- Team members:** Hayden Fabé
Kate Pidgeon
- Coach:** Mr Benjamin Gibbons
- Results:** Semi Finalists (Third Place)

For the first time, the UQLS sent a team to compete at the International Negotiation Competition in Delhi, India. The competition was co-hosted by Herbert Smith Freehills and the National Law University, Delhi with teams housed on-campus at the prestigious university.

The competition comprised two preliminary rounds with common and confidential facts being sent to the parties three months before, which allowed time for preparation and research. Following these rounds, the top eight teams were announced for the Quarter Finals and confidential facts were issued, after which a knock-out system was used.

The quality of the judging was extremely high, with five judges presiding over the Quarter Final and Semi Final rounds and a former Chief Justice of the Sri Lankan High Court overseeing the Grand Final. The problems were all written by HSF staff and were based on difficult legal matters they had been faced with. The judges also all expected a high level of commercial understanding and reasoning. The competition was all the more challenging due to the very different environment and culture.

Overall, it was a very rewarding result and experience for all involved.



SIR HARRY GIBBS CONSTITUTIONAL LAW MOOT

- Team members:** Gillian Gehrke
Katelyn Lamont
Molly Thomas
- Coach:** Ms Peta Stephenson
- Mentors:** Ms Mia Williams
Ms Penelope Bristow

The competition was held at Melbourne Law School over three days in September. This year, the moot problem involved interesting and complex constitutional law issues, including the scope of the external affairs power in s 51(xxix) of the Constitution and the executive prerogative power to withdraw from treaties. The competition is structured as a four moot round-robin, followed by three knockout finals rounds. Although the team received positive feedback in the four preliminary rounds, the standard of the other competitors was very high and the team did not progress to the finals rounds. All team members enjoyed the experience, in particular the opportunity to watch the Grand Final in the High Court in Melbourne, presided over by The Honourable Justice Geoffrey Nettle, The Honourable Justice Michelle Gordon and The Honourable Justice Stephen McLeish.



HON MICHAEL KIRBY CONTRACT LAW MOOT

Team members: Georgie Bills
Josephine Booth
Jonathan Hohl
Joshua McKersey

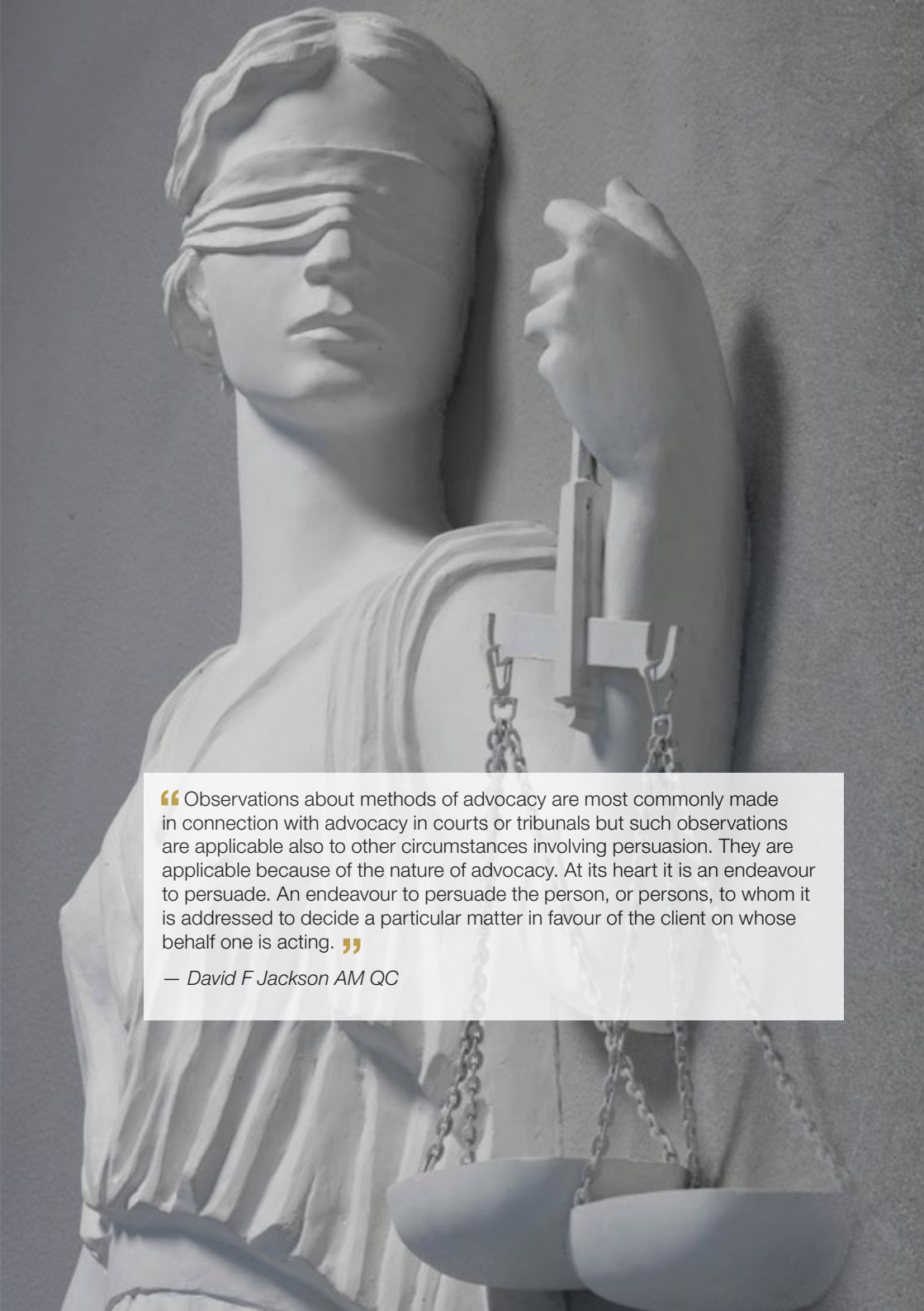
Coach: Mr Benjamin Teng

Mentor: Mr Ryan Caterwell

Results: Top 16 Elimination Round

In September 2017, UQ participated in the Hon Michael Kirby Contract Law Moot at Victoria University in Melbourne. The Moot is one of the largest legal competitions in the Southern Hemisphere, with twenty-six teams taking part in the four preliminary rounds. This year's problem question concerned a self-executing, coded 'smart contract' used to administer a supply agreement between an autonomous electric vehicle manufacturer and a component supplier. Despite the novelty of the facts, the team was relieved to discover that the issues at the heart of the problem were orthodox questions of formation, interpretation and termination of contract. The team performed well in the four preliminary rounds and were pleased to advance to the round of sixteen. The Moot was an excellent learning experience, providing valuable insight into the process of commercial arbitration and allowing the team an opportunity to advance their advocacy skills against some tough opponents.





“ Observations about methods of advocacy are most commonly made in connection with advocacy in courts or tribunals but such observations are applicable also to other circumstances involving persuasion. They are applicable because of the nature of advocacy. At its heart it is an endeavour to persuade. An endeavour to persuade the person, or persons, to whom it is addressed to decide a particular matter in favour of the client on whose behalf one is acting. ”

— *David F Jackson AM QC*

UQLS INTERNAL COMPETITIONS

The School of Law wishes to thank the 2017 UQLS Competitions Convenors for their hard work and commitment to providing outstanding competition experiences for UQ students.

Sangeetha Badya (Vice President)

Aimee Griffin

Brittany Keller

Craig Land

Congratulations to the winners of the 2017 UQLS Senior Competitions.

Witness Examination Competition: Thomas Duhig

Senior Moot: Laura Heit
Katelyn Lamont

Senior Paper Competition: Ryan Branch

Senior Negotiation Competition: Meereee Kim
Raeesa Lambat

Senior Client Interviewing: Adam Connolly
Daniel Szabo

Faculty Moot Competition: Lauren Causer
Jack Donnelly
Eleanor Hilston



“ Learning to be a good advocate is a fundamental aspect of the study of law. Advocacy is inherent in a variety of contexts: the negotiation of a deal with another party, the presentation of submissions before a court or a tribunal, the formulation of a case for a reform of the law, or a conversation with a prospective client. In all its forms, advocacy challenges students to go beyond their academic studies and develop their ability to think on their feet and persuade an audience.

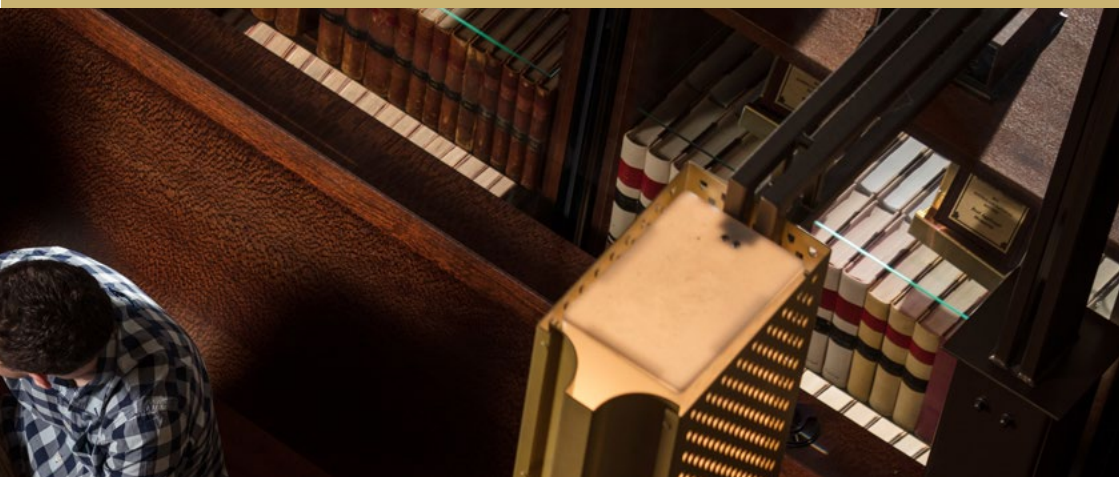
Participating in legal competitions transforms the student experience in many aspects. It encourages the development of research, writing and public speaking skills and creates a sense of community and collegiality among budding advocates. It is especially encouraging to see older students and former competitors support new students and take on mentoring roles.

We congratulate all students who competed in internal competitions or represented the law school domestically and internationally this year. UQ has achieved fantastic results, which demonstrates the skill and commitment of the competitors, student mentors, and academic coaches. Our success this year could not have been possible without the dedication of the UQLS Competitions Team and the Law School.

We look forward to your continued involvement in competitions and wish you the very best for your future endeavours. ”



Sangeetha Badya, Vice-President Competitions (2017) and Emily McClelland, President of the UQLS (2017).



AUSTRALIAN LAW STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION COMPETITIONS

NEGOTIATION COMPETITION

Team Members: Zoe Cornwell and Suvradip Maitra

Results: Quarter Finalists

During the three preliminary rounds, the team remedied a faulty building contract, agreed on a television production contract and finalised a coalition government deal. The success of the preliminary rounds allowed Zoe and Suvradip to progress to the quarter-finals, where they represented a client in a personal injury claim. ALSA was an excellent opportunity to develop teamwork and advocacy skills and compete against our peers from Australia, New Zealand and India.

CHAMPIONSHIP MOOT

Team members: Jack Donnelly and Jonathan Hohl

The competition saw over thirty teams from law schools across Australia and New Zealand address a problem question concerning the Quistclose trust, and constructive trusts in a restitution context. Despite having their preparation period cut short by semester one exams, the team performed admirably in the general rounds, synthesising a considerable body of case law and academic thought in little over a week to gain an effective understanding of the place of such trusts in circumstances of mistaken payment and total failure of consideration. The experience was especially rewarding and the team thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to develop and showcase their research and advocacy skills. The Championship Moot proved an excellent occasion to match wits with students of other law schools in a competitive yet friendly environment, and gave the team a welcomed exposure to some particularly fascinating areas of law.



PAPER PRESENTATION

Team Member: Jocelyn Bosse

Results: First Prize for 'Fragmentation of Biodiscovery Law in Australia'

INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW MOOT

Team Members: Claire Robertson and Matthew Singer

As part of the #uqdelbestdel the UQLS sent a team to compete in the Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Moot. The problem this year concerned a non-international armed conflict between an exiled rebel group and the government. Throughout the rebel campaign, sacred mounds within a national park were destroyed and there were allegations of humiliating and degrading treatment towards detainees committed by an insubordinate Colonel. As a result, the General in Command of the rebel forces stood trial in the International Criminal Court. The team argued for both the Prosecution and Defence in three general rounds. Highlights of the week were making submissions before Professor Donald Rothwell, an esteemed Australian academic in international law and hearing Justice Gummow speak at the closing gala held in the Australian War Memorial. Overall, the competition was a rewarding and invaluable experience in practising and refining oral advocacy whilst also exploring such an interesting and relevant area of law.

CLIENT INTERVIEWING

Team members: Amy Bergman and Ameera Ismail

ALSA is the only external client interviewing competition, and as runners-up of UQ's own internal competition in 2016, both competitors were excited for the chance to represent UQ in the nation's capital. This year's problems featured some colourful scenarios, including a replication of 2017's Fyre Festival; a young retail employee who was being underpaid but who also had secret student visa problems; and a law student who went on a Survivor-themed TV show called Clerkship Royale only to find out that she had been defamed once it aired. Each round provided the team with a valuable chance to hone their client interviewing skills, and demonstrated that each team member had complementary strengths in the art of gathering all the necessary information from the client to give them tailored advice. The competition was an incredible opportunity for Amy and Ameera to refine their skills while being judged by both students and practitioners.



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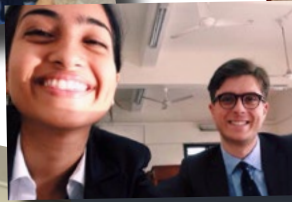
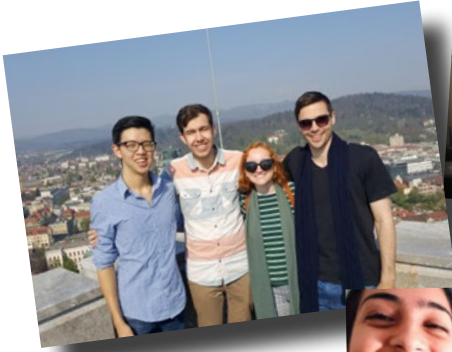
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Ms Keilin Anderson was presented with the *2016 Best Oralist in a Moot Competition Trophy* by Mr Christopher Hughes QC of the Queensland Bar Association.



Ms Erin Gourlay was presented with the *2016 David Jackson Trophy for Outstanding Advocacy* by Mr David F Jackson AM QC.



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