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# AIJA Indigenous Justice Conference

Current Issues In Delivering Indigenous Justice -  
Challenges for the Courts

18-19 July 2013

University of South Australia  
55 North Terrace, (City West Campus), Adelaide, South Australia

## PROGRAM

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### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2013

07:30	<b>Registration desk opens at</b>
08:00	<b>Arrival Tea/Coffee – pre-function area</b>
08:40	<b>Welcome and Opening</b> Welcome to Country: <b>A performer from Kuma Karro</b> Welcome: <b>Judge Gillian Braddock</b> , Convenor, AIJA Indigenous Justice Committee
09:10	<b>Session 1</b>
	<b>Keynote Address</b> <b>Ms Tammy Solonec</b> , Director, National Congress of Australia's First Peoples, Secretary of NAIDOC Perth and a member of the WA Aboriginal Lawyers' Committee
09:45	<b>Session 2</b>
	<b>Indigenous Courts in Australia - an update</b> <i>Panel discussion involving presenters from Indigenous Courts throughout Australia including Indigenous elders.</i> Participants will include: <b>Mr Paul Tanner</b> , Senior Aboriginal Justice Officer, South Australia <b>Magistrate Melanie Little</b> , South Australia <b>Aunty Coral Wilson</b> , South Australian Elder <b>Magistrate Annette Hennessy</b> , Queensland <b>Magistrate John Hardy</b> , Victoria <i>Further participants will be identified from those attending the conference and invited to form part of the panel.</i> Convenor: <b>Deputy Chief Magistrate Andrew Cannon AM</b> , South Australia
11:00	<b>Morning Tea</b>
11:30	<b>Session 3</b>
	<b>What further innovations are needed to assist both Indigenous Courts and mainstream courts in their work with Indigenous people?</b> Participants: <b>Justice Tom Gray</b> , Supreme Court of South Australia Justice Gray will speak of his experience with sentencing conferences as well as his observations from the Magistrates' Court Circuit in the APY Lands <b>Deputy Chief Magistrate Jelena Popovic</b> , Victoria Current issues in delivering Indigenous justice - challenges for the courts <b>Judge Syd Tilmouth</b> , District Court of South Australia <b>Judge David Parsons</b> , County Court, Victoria <b>Ms Suzanne Bettink</b> , Professional Support Lawyer, Youth Law, Victorian Legal Aid Convenor: <b>Professor Greg Reinhardt</b> , Executive Director, AIJA
13:15	<b>Lunch</b>

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14:00	<b>Session 4</b>
	<b>Indigenous Courts in New Zealand - lessons for Australia</b> Speaker: <b>Judge Heemi Taumaunu</b> , Rangatahi Courts, New Zealand Convenor: <b>Professor Greg Reinhardt</b> , Executive Director, AIJA
14:45	<b>Session 5</b>
	<b>Assisting Indigenous people in Native Title cases</b> To include an update on Native Title law and to include Indigenous people, practitioners and a judge or tribunal member Speaker: <b>Ms Raelene Webb QC</b> , President, National Native Title Tribunal, WA Commentator: <b>Peter Sutton</b> , Affiliate Professor, University of Adelaide and South Australian Museum Convenor: <b>Magistrate Phillip Broderick</b> , South Australia
15:30	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
16:00	<b>Session 6</b>
	<b>Improving the Evaluation of Indigenous Sentencing Courts – what should be measured and how?</b> Speakers: <b>Professor Elena Marchetti</b> , Law School, University of Wollongong, NSW <b>Ms Anne Redman</b> , Director, Cultural and Indigenous Research Centre Australia (CIRCA) <b>Mr Andrew Walter</b> , Assistant Secretary, Indigenous Justice and Community Safety Branch, Australian Attorney-General's Department <b>Mr Jason Payne</b> , Research Manager of Violent and Serious Crime, Australian Institute of Criminology Convenor: <b>Ms Sarah Alpers</b> , Manager Aboriginal Programs, Courts Administration Authority, South Australia
17:30	<b>Close</b>
19:00-2030	<b>Reception</b>

## Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2013

08:30	<b>Registration</b>
09:00	<b>Session 7</b>
	<b>Indigenous people in the prison system</b> Speakers: <b>Chief Magistrate Hilary Hannam</b> , Northern Territory <b>Dr Elizabeth Grant</b> , Senior Lecturer, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education, the University of Adelaide <b>Mr Richard King</b> , Director, Aboriginal Services Unit DCS, South Australia <b>Mr Scott Wilson</b> , Director, Aboriginal Drug and Alcohol Council (SA) Inc. (ADAC) Convenor: <b>Magistrate Annette Hennessy</b> , Queensland
10:30	<b>Morning Tea</b>
11:00	<b>Session 8</b>
	<b>Are Indigenous people likely to receive greater penalties than non-Indigenous people in the criminal courts? What should be done about this?</b> Speakers: <b>Judge Stephen Norrish, PPT</b> , District Court of NSW <b>Mr John McKenzie</b> , Chief Legal Officer, Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) Limited <b>Mr Chris Charles</b> , Director, Legal Services, Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement (ALRM) Convenor: <b>Mr John Gunson</b> , Partner, Gibney & Gunson Solicitors, Albury, NSW
12:00	<b>Lunch</b>
13:00	<b>Session 9</b>
	<b>Learning about Indigenous Communities and their needs</b> Speakers: <b>Justice Roslyn Atkinson</b> , Supreme Court of Queensland Former Magistrate <b>Rosanne McInnes</b> , Mimili Government Business Manager, South Australia and Community representatives <b>Mr Paul Tanner</b> , Senior Aboriginal Justice Officer, Port Augusta <b>Justice Tim Anderson</b> , Supreme Court of South Australia <b>Ms Pam Hemphill</b> , Principal, Child Dispute Services, Family Court of Australia and Federal Circuit Court of Australia Convenor: <b>Federal Circuit Court Judge Josephine Willis</b> , Queensland
14:30	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>

14:50	<p><b>Session 10</b></p> <p><b>Confronting social problems</b>  <i>This will include trans-generational trauma and connections between experience of Stolen Generations and contact with the Criminal Justice System (CJS), drug and alcohol abuse and family violence</i>  Speakers: <b>Ms Heather Shearer</b>, Consultant, National Stolen Generations Alliance  <b>Mr Graeme Pearce</b>, Manager, Cross Borders Programs  <b>Ms Iris Furtado</b>, Senior Solicitor, Family Violence Legal Service, Aboriginal Corporation, Port Augusta  <b>Ms Heather Nancarrow</b>, Director, Queensland Centre for Domestic and Family Violence Research, CQUniversity, Mackay  <b>Ms Hannah Meredith</b>, Manager, Domestic and Family Violence Service, NPY Women’s Council  Convenor: <b>Mr Bradley Mitchell</b>, Regional Manager, Adult Community Corrections Pilbara Region, Department of Corrective Services, WA</p>
16:15	<p><b>Session 11</b></p> <p><b>Aboriginal Young People and Youth Justice – How is diversion valued? (A South Australian perspective)</b>  <i>Panel discussion</i>  Participants: <b>Inspector Greg Forrest</b>, Manager, Youth Justice &amp; Recidivism Management Section, Prosecution Services Branch, South Australian Police  <b>Mr Phil Edwards</b>, Youth Court Criminal Defence Lawyer, Aboriginal Legal Rights Movements (SA)  <b>Mr Grant Thomas</b>, Supervisor, Conferencing Unit, Youth Court of South Australia  Convenor: <b>Magistrate Annette Hennessy</b>, Queensland</p>
17:00	<p><b>Conference Close</b></p>

