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AIJA MEMBERSHIP GOES ONLINE

Members will be aware that the new AIJA website was launched in June 2017. The website is to be found at: www.aija.org.au

Members will also be aware that we have a new online membership renewal process. This involves creating a password, which I appreciate may have been difficult for some members. To that end, if asked to do so, the Secretariat can provide a paper invoice if required. Thank you for your patience while we work through an initial teething period as we modernise our processes.

Thank you to those members who have successfully renewed their membership. If you have not already done so, I would encourage you to use the online process, but if you have **any** difficulty in this regard, please contact the Secretariat.

I am confident that you will see a considerable improvement in relation to the AIJA website and I hope you enjoy using it.

Greg Reinhardt

CONGRATULATIONS

The Hon Justice Michelle May, a former AIJA President, became a Member of the Order of Australia in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours List. Congratulations to Michelle!

Members might also be interested to know that a long standing member of the Institute, the Hon Michael Kirby AC CMG, recently received an honour from the Emperor of Japan, namely the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold and Silver Star. This relates to Michael's work in respect of North Korea. Again, congratulations!

NEW AIJA MEMBERS

The AIJA Council is pleased to welcome the following AIJA Members:

Mr James Allen, *Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal*
Mr Iain Anderson, *Attorney-General's Department, Australian Capital Territory*
The Hon Justice Timothy Brewer, *High Court Auckland*
The Hon Justice Susan Brown, *Supreme Court of Queensland*
The Hon Justice Stephen Burley, *Federal Court of Australia*
Mr Peter Callaghan, *Practitioner, Queensland*
The Hon Justice Roger Derrington, *Federal Court of Australia*
The Hon Justice James Edelman, *High Court of Australia*
The Hon Justice Michael Elkaim, *Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory*
His Hon Chief Judge Michael Evans, *District Court of South Australia*
The Hon Justice Murray Gilbert, *High Court Auckland*
The Hon Justice Judith Gordon, *High Court Auckland*
Professor Bryan Horrigan, *Monash University*
His Honour Dennis Lynch, *District Court of Queensland*
The Hon Justice George Manuhu, *Supreme & National Courts of Papua New Guinea*
The Hon Justice Robert McClelland, *Family Court of Australia*
The Hon Justice David Mossop, *Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory*
Ms Anna O'Connor, *Legal Aid Western Australia*
Mr Brian Stephenson, *Tenancy Tribunal, Auckland New Zealand*
Mr John Stack, *Practitioner, Victoria*
His Hon Judge Douglas Trapnell, *County Court of Victoria*
Tyler Technologies, *USA*

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2017 AIJA AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE NOMINATIONS

Nominations are now open

The AIJA invites community members to submit nominations for the 2017 Award for Excellence in Judicial Administration.

Information about the Award and the online nomination form can be found on the AIJA Website at www.aija.org.au

Nominations close 31 August 2017.

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MAKE A GIFT – SUPPORTING THE AIJA

The Australasian Institute of Judicial Administration (AIJA) is an approved Research Institute for the purposes of the *Income Tax Assessment Act* 1997 (Cth). In addition to supporting our work, a donation to the Research Fund will facilitate research by the AIJA relating to judicial and court administration. Donations of $2 or more are tax-deductible for Australian tax payers: ABN: 13 063 150 739.
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AIJA Court Media Officers' Conference

Thursday 31 August and Friday 1 September 2017, Sydney

10th AIJA Court Librarians' Conference, *Friday 6 October 2017, Sydney*

National Probate Workshop, *Monday 30 October 2017, Adelaide*

The AIJA is convening a Probate Workshop to discuss matters related to Probate Law and Practice.

Registrations are now open. Registration form
If you are interested in attending the workshop or wish to identify any person/s in your jurisdiction who might like to be involved please contact Kathy.jarrett@monash.edu

Hellenic Australian Lawyers Association

HAL International Legal Conference, 9-12 July 2018, Rhodes, Greece

Registrations now open
Website: https://hal.asn.au/Rhodes-Conference/

'FORCES OF CHANGE- DEFINING FUTURE JUSTICE' CONFERENCE 2018

Council at its meeting in June approved the convening of a conference which will look at the 'Forces of Change - Defining Future Justice'. This is to take place in late May or early June 2018. As soon as the dates are finalised, a 'Save the Date' email will be sent to members. It is anticipated that the conference will be preceded by an AIJA Oration.

EXCELLENCE ON A GLOBAL SCALE
NACM IACA

NACM - IACA Joint Educational Conference Washington DC, USA, 9-13 July 2017

Greg Reinhardt attended and spoke in a Plenary Panel session entitled 'International Framework for Court Excellence and the High Performance Court Framework: Contrasts and Comparisons'. Papers from the session are available at http://m8fetiw.attendify.io/#9Hrjv7WKJA1HfLvFNP
During the conference, there was a meeting of the Executive Committee of the International Consortium for Court Excellence.

International Framework for Court Excellence

Update from the Secretariat for the International Consortium for Court Excellence

- The latest edition of the ICCE Newsletter Issue 9 - July 2017 is now available at http://www.courtexcellence.com/News.aspx Highlights in this issue include:
  - A synopsis of the forthcoming second edition of the *Global Measures of Court Performance* by Ingo Keilitz, Laurie Glanfield and Dan Hall.
  - International updates from the Batulicin District Court, Indonesia and Bangladesh.
  - A summary of conference proceedings from the Supreme Court of Victoria conference Innovation and Excellence in Courts from 27-28 March 2017.
  - Regional forums update from the Singapore Judicial College.
- Dr Liz Richardson has recently completed a research paper for the Consortium on the *Use, Modification and Impact of the International Framework for Court Excellence*. The paper contains 14 Court Summaries outlining the ways in which various jurisdictions around the world have implemented the Framework and the benefits that have arisen from implementation. The different approaches will assist the Consortium determine future changes to the Framework and provide readers with a substantial snapshot of how the Framework has been used since its creation in 2008.
- The Consortium is pleased to welcome its latest member, the High Court of Bhutan, who joined as an Associate Member in May 2017.

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Dr Bridgette Toy-Cronin

RESPONDING TO THE LITIGANT IN PERSON CHALLENGE: WHERE TO FROM HERE?

Justice Kevin Bell AM

The Australian Centre for Justice Innovation is delighted to host a public lecture about future directions for policy and practice regarding self-represented litigants.

The rise of self-represented litigants has been recognised as a phenomenon across the common law world. The last decade has seen increasing attention given to the issue by policy makers, researchers, lawyers and the judiciary. This discussion will consider the evidence base and responses developed to date and ask, "where should we go from here"? This question will be considered in terms of future directions for research, policy, and practice, with particular reference to Justice Bell's decision in *Matsoukatidou v Yarra Ranges Council* [2017] VSC 61.

Date: Tuesday 19 September 2017
Time: 5:30-7pm
Venue: Monash Law Chambers,
555 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne

Registrations for this event will open in August.

For information go to http://www.monash.edu/law/research/centres/acji/events