In thinking about what lies ahead for 2010, I am reminded of how busy 2009 was for the ILC and for myself as Director of the Centre. In 2009, the Federal government announced its support for the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. I attended the ceremony at Parliament House along with other people who participated in the working groups including Sarah Pritchard, Frank Guiverra, Brian Butler and Mick Dodson. During this time I was also a Visiting Scholar at the Centre for Aboriginal Economic and Policy Research and presented a seminar at CAEPR on the UN DRIP based on my recent article on the Declaration in the Melbourne Journal of International Law.

In 2009 I also attended the workshop in Adelaide held by the Australian Human Rights Commission to discuss a new National Indigenous Representative Body. I have been a strong advocate of equal gender representation. I published an article in the Griffith Review, the Indigenous Law Bulletin and other journals on the importance of Aboriginal women’s representation. I was pleased to learn that the final structure of the new NIRB includes a mandated 50% gender equality in all its structure. My belief is that equal representation would have a greater impact in a truly representative, democratically elected body. Even so it will be interesting to monitor how gender plays out in the wheeling and dealing of the new Congress model. We must be vigilant and not assume that this structure automatically implies universal respect for women or women’s rights. The conditioning forces of culture are strong but one must be optimistic about the future.

Following the huge success of our 2009 Open Forum on Alcohol restrictions in Fitzroy Crossing, the ILC is already planning its Open Forum for 2010 that will focus on Child Protection laws in Australia. The ILC will be working with the National Children’s Youth and Law Centre and social worker/academic Alfred Davis (Griffith University) on a case study of Queensland child protection laws and their impact upon the Indigenous child.

In 2009 I was deeply honoured to become a Director of the Diplomacy Training Program’s Board. The DTP was founded by Nobel Peace Laureate and President of Timor-Leste Jose Ramos-Horta. The DTP has been at the forefront of human rights training in Indigenous communities in Australia and the Asia Pacific region. Human rights training is critical for empowering civil society groups with skills and capability to more effectively engage with the state and other non-state actors.
actors. As a human rights lawyer I am very proud to be associated with such an important independent NGO and strengthen the ties between the two centres based at UNSW Faculty of Law.

Finally we welcome Dr Kyllie Cripps who commences with the ILC as a Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Law and the ILC’s first PhD student, Erin Mackay who arrives from the Australian Law Reform Commission.

Megan Davis

When I wrote my first Coordinator’s report for the augural ILC newsletter I had not long started with the Centre, and was settling into my new role, 12 months down the track I can reflect over the year and can honestly say it has been an extremely rewarding and challenging year.

Setting up the student volunteer program at the ILC has been one of those rewarding opportunities. The program enables law students to gain a better understanding of contemporary Indigenous legal issues whilst building on their skills base from activities undertaken within the Centre. UNSW students who actively take part in the program have their contribution recognised on the UNSW Supplementary Transcript.

I have been pleasantly surprised by the number of students who have shown an interest in the program which may have arisen from the studies they have undertaken during their law course, their genuine concern for Indigenous issues or just wanting to learn more, but whatever the reason they have chosen to become involved in our Centre I have been impressed by their humility and enthusiasm they have demonstrated towards their respective projects.

To that extent I would like to profile one such student Lucienne Cassidy who has taken on a project to organise an open forum which looks at the legal framework on Alcohol restrictions in Indigenous communities. (more detail on forum can be found further along in the Newsletter). Lucienne approached me a little while back to help organise in her spare time between her study and work commitments in any capacity we felt she could make a contribution. After a brief discussion she agreed she would like to take on the open forum idea. Her sensitivity to this issue and her compiling of information about the topic has been impressive and as I watch her move forward with the project I realise that many people do care about Indigenous issues but are unsure how to become involved in a constructive way.

Projects’ such as the public forum has allowed Lucienne to extend her personal knowledge of Indigenous issues and bring about awareness within her student community. Hence my earlier comment that working in the Centre has provided us all opportunities to learn and find ways to make a difference, so it has been a rewarding year and I invite any students who may happen upon our Newsletter and read about the Volunteer Program to contact us and ask how they can help as it is very gratifying but more importantly provides the opportunity to learn and understand about the struggles of Indigenous peoples and through their work with us can make a difference.
I am very excited to be commencing work at the ILC. I have been working with Megan and the ILC for two years on projects relating to Indigenous women’s and children’s experiences of the legal system in sexual assault matters. The outcomes of these projects will over the coming months be detailed on the ILC website.

Prior to commencing with the ILC I worked as an Indigenous research fellow in the Onemda VicHealth Koori Health Unit at the University of Melbourne. My work there included leading a two-year ARC project entitled Building and supporting community-led partnerships: initiatives responding to family violence in Indigenous communities in Victoria. This project is currently operating in four sites in Victoria to systematically document and critically analyse Indigenous and mainstream interventions and models of practice in responding to family violence in Victoria. The project is ongoing throughout 2010.

In my time at the University of Melbourne I was also involved in developing and teaching the subject Introduction to Koori Health for Nurses, which I thoroughly enjoyed. My new appointment at the ILC and the UNSW Law Faculty will also involve teaching and the development of new subjects - stay tuned to the ILC website for more information.

Also late last year I was appointed to two National Health and Medical Research Committees: the Prevention and Community Health Committee and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Advisory Committee.

I look forward to an exciting experience at UNSW, enjoying Sydney and having a very busy year.

Looking back over the last year, 2009 was marked by some significant developments in Indigenous affairs. This was the year in which the Prescribed Areas People’s Alliance brought a Request for Urgent Action before the UN Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination regarding the measures introduced under the Northern Territory Intervention, while the Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement brought a separate complaint about the long-term underfunding of Indigenous legal aid services in South Australia.

WA State Coroner, Alastair Hope handed down his findings and recommendations after the inquest into the death in custody of Mr Ward, while the Bligh Government introduced the Wild Rivers Act, a controversial legislative scheme aimed at conserving vast areas of land and water across the Cape York Peninsula. At about the same time, the Northern Territory introduced the divisive Homelands/Outstations strategy under the Working Future policy umbrella. At the national level, perhaps responding to the national mood towards ‘income management’, it seems that the Commonwealth is increasingly moving towards a model of ‘income cancellation’, amending social security legislation to allow welfare entitlements to be withheld as a form of social coercion.

Yet on a more positive note, 2009 was also the year that the Federal Government formally endorsed the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, an event that the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, Tom Calma described as a ‘watershed’
development. The Federal Government promised to reinstate the *Racial Discrimination Act* in the Northern Territory (although we are still waiting for this to take place), while the Victorian Government announced its Native Title Framework, hoping to improve on its poor track record of recognising the rights and interests of traditional owners living in that state. It was the year that the National Congress of Australia’s First Peoples was announced, introducing the first national Indigenous representative body since the demise of ATSIC.

The ILB has charted each of these developments, examining the legal and policy significance of each, and reflecting on their impact in everyday life for Australia’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

As the Editor of the ILB, I was lucky enough to attend a number of national conferences where I gained an insight into leading research on Indigenous legal and policy issues. Among these, I sat in on a national meeting of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Legal Services, the NSW Judicial Commission’s *Exchanging Ideas* conference, the National Indigenous Legal Conference in Adelaide, the Sisters Inside conference in Brisbane, the AIATSIS Native Title conference, the Australian Institute of Criminology’s focus on Indigenous young people and the criminal law, and the AIATSIS focus on urban Aboriginal perspectives.

Throughout the year I have also been involved in plans by the UNSW Faculty of Law to develop a Reconciliation Action Plan, looking at ways to improve access and support networks for Indigenous students within the law faculty. I have also had the pleasure of talking with students participating in the pre-law, Winter School and Diplomacy and Training programs, discussing the work we do at the ILC and encouraging students to take advantage of the programs and opportunities that we offer, specifically through volunteer and internship programs. Hopefully, we will see some of these faces around the centre over the course of 2010!

I feel very lucky to have been involved in the work of the ILB over the last 12 months – I have learned so much and hope to continue on this path over the year ahead.

Lively, productive, exciting: adjectives most people would not normally associate with legal publishing, yet they describe to a ‘T’ the year 2009 at the AILR.

February witnessed the launch of an AILR Special Edition on coronial reform and the prevention of Indigenous death. As its centrepiece, the Special Edition contained a groundbreaking report by Ray Watterson, Penny Brown and John McKenzie which draws together empirical research on the failure of Australian governments to implement the life-saving recommendations that emerge from coronial inquests. In light of the considerable gap between Indigenous and non-Indigenous life expectancies, the failure to consider and implement coronial recommendations may have particularly deleterious effects for Indigenous people. Also containing key contributions from Aboriginal legal services around the country, the Special Edition was launched by the Hon Bob Debus, then Federal Minister for Home Affairs, who flagged the possibility of developing a national approach to coronial recommendations in the wake of the Special Edition. Following publication of the Special Edition,
the NSW Government changed its policies so as to require government Ministers and agencies to respond to coronial recommendations within six months of receiving them. Copies of the Special Edition are still available for purchase from the ILC. An ILC resources page that offers a picture of the current state of the law around Australia on coronial recommendations is also being developed. Please visit http://www.ilc.unsw.edu.au/resources/Coronial%20Reform%20and%20Indigenous%20Deaths.asp.

Around the middle of the year AILR 13(1) was published, the first general edition for 2009. Contained in 13(1) is commentary on a diverse range of issues, including Indigenous peoples and climate change, ‘special measures’ under the Northern Territory Emergency Response, gender and the decolonisation process in Canada, and Indigenous water rights in tropical northern Australia. Case notes on important court decisions in Australia (Wurridjal v Commonwealth), the USA (Hawaii v Office of Hawaiian Affairs) and South Africa (Gumede v President of the Republic of South Africa) were also included.

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Sean Brennan

It is a great to have the opportunity to work in association with the Indigenous Law Centre at a time when so much is happening on so many fronts, under the Directorship of Megan Davis. She and the ILC team are embarked on a range of interesting new work, building on the long and proud history of the Centre.

Megan and I have been colleagues since 2002 when we were both part of the Gilbert + Tobin Centre of Public Law. I continue with that Centre as Director of its Indigenous Legal Issues Project and as a member of the full-time teaching staff of the Law Faculty at UNSW. Both capacities give me the opportunity to work with Megan on a regular basis. We co-teach in courses and share many common interests, in particular the interface between public law and Indigenous legal issues. She continues to improve my very rudimentary knowledge of international law and organisations.

In the past I worked with the Indigenous Law Centre and its social justice interns on the issue of Aboriginal government trust funds in New South Wales and the ways in which money was diverted and often withheld from Aboriginal people by force of law. Zoe Craven, one of the Centre’s interns at the time and now a UNSW alumni, was absolutely instrumental in the production of the ILC’s publication ‘Eventually They Get It All…’ - Government Management of Aboriginal Trust Money in NSW. That research also fed into the ILC’s important contribution to the Senate inquiry into Stolen Wages which reported in 2006.

It is clear that Megan and the Centre’s Administrator, Janette Murdoch, continue to attract smart young Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to contribute to the work of the Centre, broadening and strengthening its impact, as well as offering great opportunities for people to develop their own skills and understanding of complex issues at the interface between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australia. Recently I have had the opportunity to work with Lucienne Cassidy on preparations for a student-driven ILC event on community initiatives in alcohol control. It is another example of the Centre bringing important contemporary issues to a general audience in an accessible and informative way.

For a number of years I have been a member of the editorial panel for one of the Centre’s major periodicals, the Australian Indigenous Law Review. It has been a vital outlet in Australia for the publication of legal commentary and information in this lively and constantly changing area of the law. The Review has been extremely well served by its editors in recent years - again, young Australian law students with enthusiasm, intellectual rigour and a real commitment to greater justice for Indigenous peoples.

I continue to write and research in areas that intersect with the ILC’s central concerns. The Gilbert + Tobin Centre regards Indigenous issues as part of its core business as a public law centre, which creates opportunities for continuing strong links between the centres. As an ILC Centre Associate, I look forward to collaborating on research into the future, especially in the areas of public law and Indigenous property rights.

For further information on our Centre Associate please visit our website: http://www.ilc.unsw.edu.au/people/centre_associates.asp
Apart from teaching Public Law, Megan Davis also teaches the following Indigenous Law subjects:

- Indigenous peoples in International Law (Postgraduate) LAWS4413
- Contemporary Issues in Domestic and International Indigenous Law and Policy (Postgraduate) LAWS4415
- Indigenous Peoples and the Law (Undergraduate) LAWS2212.

In 2009, the ILC is continuing its research into Indigenous women and children in the justice system. The project examines the experiences of Aboriginal women and children before the courts in the context of sexual assault. We hope to scrutinize the way such individuals fair in the adversarial environment and to interrogate the narrative the court creates about them.

As the project progresses, some ongoing challenges have been encountered. Our research has identified a paucity of information collected about victims of sexual assault and their status as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander. There are currently no standardized or compulsory systems for collecting data of this nature which, among other things, complicates the task of identifying cases with Indigenous victims. Moreover the wide focus of the research, which looks at cases from all jurisdictions of Australia, presents its own challenges in terms of gathering information. The courts of each jurisdiction have different processes and rules which vary wildly. Such obstacles were not unexpected and are relevant to the project itself. Despite these difficulties the project has progressed considerably with an extensive database and analysis of relevant cases growing quickly.

There has also been a significant addition to the steering committee in 2009. Louise Taylor, a barrister from Commonwealth Department of Public Prosecutions with extensive experience in family violence and sexual assault cases has come on board to give us greater depth of experience in court room behaviour.

When I got this job and they told me I would be a Research Associate, I immediately imagined myself as a (somewhat toned down) Erin Brockovich type character - knocking on doors, collecting soil samples, wowing people into submission with my charm and cozying up to the bureaucrats.

Needless to say I realised this was childish fantasy. I forgot it instantly and got on with my work.

Six months on I have found that there are aspects of the Brockovich-ian research model that are not so distant from the reality. Research is much more about interacting with people than I realised. The classes on legal research teach the basics; how to search Austlii, how to find journals and electronic resources. What they don’t tell you is how much you will rely on the individual discretion of registry staff and public servants who you will interact with on a day to day basis on the phone, by email and by fax. One of the most important things I have learnt through this process is the value of forming relationships with the people who are in charge of
the information I need. Knowing who to ask for and what to ask is half the battle. There are obstacles which prove difficult to overcome but knowing who is in the best position to help and how to enlist that help is invaluable. So the Erin Brockovich school of research does have some relevance to my work, even if there is less soil collection that I would like.

One of the recent projects undertaken by the ILC is a Civics and Law guide, which was developed in response to a gap in civics education in Aboriginal communities.

The guide will take the form of a 30 page interactive booklet and answer basic public law questions. It is premised on the goal of achieving greater understanding and knowledge of fundamental democratic institutions and the Australian legal system in Aboriginal communities. The guide will particularly focus on promoting a holistic understanding of the relationship between Aboriginal law and the Australian legal system.

In September several of our students who are working on research projects within the Centre were given an opportunity to attend the National Indigenous Legal Conference in Adelaide. It was a positive experience for all of them.

Also working as a researcher at ILC, I attended my first National Indigenous Legal Conference in Adelaide in September of last year and it was a very positive experience. The speakers were both educational and engaging. The topics discussed were wide ranging and provided an overview of the important issues that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are currently facing and that need to be addressed. The conference also provided an important opportunity for networking with fellow students, academics and people working in the field. I learned a lot and had a great time in the process. I cannot wait till next year!

Michelle Bradley

MICHELLE BRADLEY’S REPORT
CIVICS AND LAW PROJECT: EDUCATION FOR ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES

ILB Editor, Zrinka Lemezina and ILC Director, Megan Davis have been working on stage one of the Constitutional Reform and Indigenous Rights project, finalising their joint research regarding the recognition of Aboriginal people in the preamble to the Australian Constitution. The paper considers the significance of the preamble as a form of formal state recognition of Indigenous Australians, examining its symbolic power, the growth of its public appeal since the republic debates of the late 90s and its scope as an educative civics tool. The paper argues that its political popularity as a mechanism for reconciliation is a relatively recent one and that, in light of the general trends in Indigenous rights recognition, care must be taken to ensure that the populist appeal of a revised preamble does not constrain alternative possibilities for substantive constitutional recognition.

In stage two of this project led by ILC researcher Dylan Lion, the ILC hopes to host a workshop or conference to discuss issues relating to constitutional reform and what it means to Indigenous Australians. At the conclusion of this exchange of ideas, stage three of the project will involve a second publication exploring some of the ways in which Indigenous rights can be incorporated and protected in the substantive body of the Federal Constitution. Research is already underway for this final stage.

MEGAN & ZRINKA’S REPORT
CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM AND INDIGENOUS RIGHTS
JESSICA TRAPPEL’S REPORT

USE OF ABORIGINAL CUSTOMARY LAW IN THE COURTS

This project is being undertaken in partnership with the NSW Aboriginal Legal Service and the Indigenous Law Centre. Indigenous law, customs and traditions continue to exist and are dynamic. Yet, to date there has been limited legislative or common law recognition of Indigenous law. This project arose out of the need for legal professionals and academics to have access to case summaries and precedents on Indigenous law, where it exists. The project’s main aim is to create a database that can be utilised by Aboriginal Legal Services and other legal centres in researching and providing advice to their clients. A secondary aim, is providing this information to educate the wider community on the use and development of Indigenous law and the important, although limited, role that it plays in our current legal system.

WEBSITE UPDATES

We have set up a new resource page under ‘Resources’ on our website ‘Coronial Reform and Indigenous Deaths’ following on from the release of the AILR Special Edition in February, 2009, hopefully you will find the site informative.


CONSIDERING DOING A LLM OR PHD?

The ILC welcomes Higher Degree students to supervise under the LLM or PhD program. The Indigenous Law Centre is a very supportive educational environment. All of the staff are committed to reconciliation and social justice for Indigenous peoples. The ILC also has an extensive and growing resource library of historical and contemporary publications on Indigenous law and policy. The strengths of the ILC are particularly in relation to Indigenous peoples in international law, Indigenous peoples issues in public law and Aboriginal women’s issues including violence against aboriginal women and children.

You can obtain further information on a Higher Research Degree at UNSW by clicking on the below university’s websites:

http://www.grs.unsw.edu.au/futurestudents/futurehome.html
http://www.law.unsw.edu.au/future_students/postgraduate/phd.asp

For more information or advices, please feel to contact our Centre Coordinator on (02) 9385 2252 or email ilc@unsw.edu.au

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

UNSW LAW STUDENT INTERNSHIPS

Two internships are available each semester through the Social Justice Internship Program at UNSW. Please refer to the Faculty of Law website to learn more

http://www.law.unsw.edu.au/current_students/internships/index.asp

The internships afford students the opportunity to work within the Centre. The principal goal of the internship is to provide students with training and practical experience in research, writing and advocacy on aspects of policy and practice relating to social justice (especially the reduction of inequality and exploitation).
I completed an internship during Semester 1, 2009 at the Indigenous Law Centre (ILC) as part of the Social Justice Program offered through the Faculty of Law.

Working at the Centre was a fantastic experience and gave me the opportunity to contribute to a number of diverse and exciting Indigenous law and policy projects. Some of the work I completed during my internship included writing substantive content for an ‘Australian Civics and Law Guide’, updating the ‘Constitutional Law Reform Project’ website. I also undertook research on Constitutional Law Reform, in particular the history of the relationship between the Constitution and Indigenous people in Australia and comparative Constitutional reform.

Through my work at the ILC I gained experience working in a professional environment, and developed important research and writing skills which will be invaluable in my future law career. More importantly, the work I undertook during my internship was fascinating and rewarding and has inspired me to pursue further research and work in the area of Indigenous law and policy.

I would strongly recommend an internship at the ILC to anyone with an interest in Indigenous law, as it offers the opportunity to engage with Indigenous legal issues in a hands-on, focused and collaborative environment.

Jessica Trappel

The Aurora Project was established in April 2005 following the launch of the Report into the Professional Development Needs of Native Title Representative Body Lawyers. The report is available at www.auroraproject.com.au on the Aurora Project website. One of the Aurora Project’s programs is the student placement program, which introduces law and anthropology students to career opportunities in native title and Indigenous affairs and provides interns to assist Native Title Representative Body lawyers. Elise was involved in researching case law where consideration was given to Aboriginal customary law and cultural practice and/or the Aboriginal background of an accused/applicant/appellant or party to give which is a joint project run by the Aboriginal Legal Services (NSW/ACT) and ILC. Elise was instrumental in compiling information for our resource page on coronial law reform which involved summarising a recent study and locating web links for relevant parts of coronial legislation in each jurisdiction and media articles. She also was involved in writing a book review of anthropologist Peter Sutton’s book, The Politics of Suffering: Indigenous Australia and the End of the Liberal Consensus. In all her experience over the 6 week period was varied and rewarding. You can learn more about her experience and the Aurora project from our website: http://www.ilc.unsw.edu.au/study/internships.asp
The Student Volunteer Program was introduced end 2008 to enable law students gain a better understanding of contemporary Indigenous legal issues whilst building their skills base from activities undertaken within the Centre. Students who actively take part in the program will have their contribution recognised on the UNSW Supplementary Transcript: https://my.unsw.edu.au/student/atoz/SupplementaryTranscript.html

Combined with an academic transcript, the Supplementary Transcript provides a distinctive benefit to UNSW graduates by awarding official recognition to those leadership activities promoted under the UNSW banner that could be seen to enhance the development of graduate attributes.

Students can expect to be actively involved in:

- the ILC student run Open Forums, one each semester, designed around important Indigenous issues in which the student volunteers take a very proactive role
- researching articles for the Indigenous Law Bulletin under supervision of the Editor
- literature reviews in research areas responsible to the Centre Director.

Learn more about the volunteer program through our website under ‘About Us’.

Through the Student Volunteer Program the Centre runs an Open Forum each Semester for students to learn more about important issues facing Indigenous communities. The previous Open Forum was held in September which looked at alcohol restrictions in Indigenous communities. The film Yajilarra, a documentary about a group of Indigenous women in Fitzroy Crossing, WA, who successfully campaigned to introduce alcohol restrictions in their town was shown before we heard from a panel of key speakers from the Indigenous, health and government sectors who discussed some of issues raised in film, as well as some broader questions about the challenges involved in balancing individual rights with the need for better health outcomes for Indigenous communities. It was a very well attended evening with over 100 guests. For further updates on our forums you can go to our website under ‘Resources’ and click on the link to Open Forums.

We particularly wish to thank Thomson Reuters for generously sponsoring the evening and sending along a representative from their office.

To help cover the cost of hosting the student run forums we are seeking sponsorship from the business community if you are able to help please call our Centre Coordinator Janette Murdoch (02) 9385 2252 or email ilc@unsw.edu.au

Merinda Dutton
2nd Year Undergrad Law

ILC STUDENT VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

The volunteer program at the Indigenous legal centre has been an invaluable experience, where I have been able to put my legal writing and research skills into practice in a work environment. It has also been an opportunity to be involved in and make a contribution to the university community.

Merinda Dutton
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ILC OPEN FORUMS

ICL would like to acknowledge funding from by the Commonwealth Attorney-General’s Department, Social Inclusion Division to contribute to Law and Justice Advocacy Development. The UNSW Faculty of Law provides in-kind support by way of office accommodation and IT services.
ILC PUBLICATIONS & MEDIA INTERVIEWS

PUBLICATIONS


CONFERENCES / PRESENTATIONS
M Davis, UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, *Reconciliation for Western Sydney ‘Building Bridges’* seminar on the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples at Migrant Resource Centre, Parramatta (9/09/09).


Z Lemezina, Chair, *Indigenous Young People and the Corrections System*, Australian Institute of Criminology’s Indigenous Young People and the Criminal Justice conference, Parramatta.

E MacKay, ‘Royal Commissions and Official Inquiries’ Presentation to LLM students at the Australian National University (30 October 2009).

M Davis, UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Aboriginal Art exhibition Shalom Gamarada (26th July 2009).

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E MacKay, ‘Royal Commissions and Official Inquiries’ Presentation to LLM students at the Australian National University (30 October 2009).

E MacKay, ‘A Proposal for Sui Generis Legislation to Protect Indigenous Traditional Knowledge’, 14th Biennial Copyright Law and Practice Symposium, hosted by the Australian Copyright Council and the Copyright Society of Australia (16 October 2009).

E MacKay, ‘Being a Woman in the Law’ Presentation to residents of Creston College, UNSW (17 March 2009).


Submission to Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs Inquiry into Access to Justice (2009).

Submission to the National Human Rights Consultation (15/6/2009) (Megan Davis and Erin Mackay).

MEDIA

Radio interview, UN DRIP, *Radio New Zealand Ideas* (12 April 2009)


Opinion, ‘We must manage our hopes’ *Koori Mail* (25 March 2009).

Television interview, UN DRIP *NITV News Bulletin* (26 March 2009)


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