

APPENDIX 8 – Judges’ participation in legal reform activities and international committees and conferences in 2006–07

On 20 July 2006 the Chief Justice hosted, in Melbourne, a luncheon discussion meeting for the guest speakers at the Melbourne University Fulbright Symposium, *Legislatures and the Protection of Human Rights*. That evening, he attended the Miegunyah Public Lecture by Professor David Feldman of Cambridge University, entitled *The Roles of Parliaments in Protecting Human Rights: A view from the United Kingdom*.

The Chief Justice also attended, in Sydney in August, the John Lehane Memorial Lecture delivered by the Rt Hon Dame Mary Arden on the topic *Meeting the Challenges of Terrorism: The Experience of English and other Courts*.

On 28 August 2006, in Melbourne, the Chief Justice presided at a public lecture by Professor Feldman. The lecture was hosted jointly by the Federal Court and the Melbourne University Law School. The topic was *Constitutional change in the United Kingdom: Reforming the courts, judicial appointments, and much more*.

On 5 September, the Chief Justice delivered a public lecture entitled *The Courts and the Public Revisited* at Queensland University of Technology.

On 6 September, he chaired the Richard Cooper Memorial Lecture, delivered by the Hon Justice James Allsop entitled *Australian Admiralty and Maritime Law – Origins and Future Directions*.

On 7 September, in Melbourne, the Chief Justice delivered a speech at the inauguration of the Victorian Branch of the Anglo–Australasian Lawyers Society.

The Chief Justice attended the Magna Carta Lecture, delivered by the Rt Hon Lord Falconer of Thornton on the topic *The Role of Judges in a Modern Democracy* on 13 September.

On 15 September, the Chief Justice attended the AJA Appellate Judges’ Conference, held in the Federal Court in Adelaide. He chaired the session given by Justice Sandra Day O’Connor.

On 1 November, the Chief Justice and Chief Justice Diana Bryant addressed a dinner held by the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) in support of its Peace Scholarship Program of which they are jointly patrons.

In January 2007 the Chief Justice attended the Annual Supreme and Federal Court Judges’ Conference in Perth, and hosted a luncheon for the delegates at the Federal Court.

On 8 February, the Chief Justice delivered a speech at the Sir Nigel Bowen Commonwealth Law Courts in Canberra at a reception to mark the 30th Anniversary of the Court’s presence in the ACT.

On 24 March, in Sydney, the Chief Justice attended the 35th Australian Legal Convention and chaired a session by Chief Justice Myron Steele of the Supreme Court of Delaware and by Mr John Denton.

On 12 and 13 April, following a meeting of the Council of Chief Justices in Hobart, the Chief Justice attended a seminar on judicial leadership organised by the National Judicial College of Australia and attended by heads of jurisdiction from Australia and New Zealand.

In May, the Chief Justice attended the 7th Worldwide Common Law Judiciary Conference held in the Middle Temple, London. He presented a paper entitled *New Technology Developments in the Courts: Usages, Trends and Recent Developments in Australia*. He later delivered a lecture entitled *Human Rights without a Bill of Rights?* at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law at the University of Cambridge.

On 28 June, the Chief Justice delivered the second Brad Selway Memorial Lecture at the University of Adelaide. The lecture was entitled *An Integrated Judicial System for Australia: Cross-vesting and co-operation after re Wakim*.

During the year, the Chief Justice met with office holders of various organisations, including the Queensland Bar Association, the Queensland Law Society, the New South Wales Law Society, the Law Council of Australia, the Victorian Bar, and the Law Institute of Victoria.

During the year, he attended ceremonies in Tasmania, New South Wales and Victoria to recognise the achievements of Federal Court staff on the completion of the Federal Court National Training Program. He attended, in Sydney and Hobart, services and other events to mark the opening of the 2007 Law Term.

Justice FRENCH is a member of the Advisory Board of the Faculty of Law at the University of Western Australia; a member of the Advisory Board of the Faculty of Law at the University of Notre Dame in Sydney; a member of the Indigenous Cultural Awareness Committee of the Australian Institute of Judicial Administration; convenor of the Indigenous Justice Issues Committee of the National Judicial College of Australia and a member of the Western Australian Genetics Council. His Honour is a Presidential Member of the Australian Competition Tribunal and a part-time Commissioner of the Australian Law Reform Commission. During the reporting period his Honour has undertaken the following activities:

- **6 July 2006** – Law and Science Fiction – An Unbounded but Finite Universe, a DVD presentation to the Law and Literature Symposium in Perth
- **9–12 July 2006** – Member – Delegation of Australian Judges to Japan to discuss court procedures and expert evidence with Japanese judges
- **26 July 2006** – Speech – Making Your Own Fun in Intellectual Property Law – Intellectual Property Society of Australia and New Zealand (WA Chapter) Annual Dinner
- **5 August 2006** – Justice Brad Selway – An Ongoing Dialogue, a paper presented at the Australian Association of Constitutional Law National Conference, Adelaide
- **20–21 October 2006** – Authorisation and Public Benefit – Playing with Categories of Meaningless Reference? a paper presented to the University of South Australia Trade Practices Workshop
- **19 April 2007** – Marine Pollution and International Law, Breakfast talk to Admiralty Law Practitioners
- **5 May 2007** – Horizontal Arrangements – Competition Law and Cooperative Federalism, a paper given at the Competition Law Conference in Sydney
- **24 May 2007** – Stopping the Train after the Wreck – Corporate Group Collapse and Protective Orders under s 1323, a paper presented at a seminar conducted by the Law Society of the Northern Territory for Continuing Legal Education
- **8 June 2007** – Plus ca change, plus c'est la meme chose? – The 2007 Amendments to the Native Title Act, paper to the Native Title Representative Bodies Conference Cairns.

Justice HEEREY is Chair of the Advisory Board for the Graduate Program in Intellectual Property Law at the University of Melbourne and a Board Member and Vice President of the Arts Law Centre of Australia. In March 2007 his Honour arranged a launch of the Centre in Tasmania. In April and May 2007 his Honour taught a course in Patents, Trade Marks and Unfair Competition at Monash University in Prato, Italy.

In August 2006, Justice MOORE sat on the Court of Appeal in Tonga for a fortnight. Since 2003 his Honour has been involved in a project of the Supreme People's Court of Vietnam to develop a benchbook for the Vietnamese Judiciary. In July 2006 the project concluded with the publication of the benchbook (both in hard copy and on the internet: www.sotaythamphan.gov.vn) which was distributed to almost five and a half thousand Vietnamese judges. In September 2006 his Honour travelled to China to a future programme of judicial exchange between the Federal Court and the Supreme Peoples Court of China. His Honour returned to China this year with a delegation of Federal Court judges as part of a program focussing on the areas of maritime, competition and labour law. In February 2007 his Honour travelled to Indonesia to do work on a backlog reduction program with the Indonesian Supreme Court.

In July 2006 Justice BRANSON attended the Sixth Insolvency Trustee Service Australia (ITSA) Bankruptcy Congress in Brisbane and presented a paper on Part VI Division 4A of the Bankruptcy Act. In September 2006 her Honour attended the Inaugural Australian Women Lawyers Conference and presented a paper on Expert Evidence. In October Justice Branson attended the Judicial

Conference of Australia Colloquium 2006. In October 2006 her Honour was invited by Freehills and the University of NSW Faculty of Law to give the keynote address at the UNSW Law Society Women's Mentoring Program 2006. Her Honour was invited to participate in the Human Rights Nexus Working Party of the International Association of Refugee Law Judges (IARLJ) and in November 2006 attended IARLJ's Conference in Mexico City where the working party's paper, of which she was co-author, was presented. In February 2007 Justice Branson attended the Constitutional Law Conference. In March 2007 Justice Branson attended the International Development Law Organisation's Annual Board meeting in Rome at the conclusion of her Honour's second and final three year term as a Board Member of the organisation. In May 2007 her Honour was invited by the Northern Territory Registry to give a talk to Northern Territory practitioners on Jurisdiction of the Federal Court.

Justice LINDGREN continues to chair various committees of the Council of Chief Justices concerned with the harmonisation of rules of court in the superior courts of Australia and New Zealand. The committees are concerned with court rules in such areas as corporations, freezing and search orders, and service outside the jurisdiction. His Honour is a member of the College of Law Commercial Litigation Practice Advisory Committee and the Law Executive Council of the Faculty of Law, University of Technology, Sydney. During the year, Justice Lindgren delivered two keynote addresses: on 10 July 2006, at the launch of *Arts Law Week*, and on 21 November 2006, at the Clayton Utz/ University of Technology Sydney Conference on "Securities Class Actions". His Honour spoke on the following topics throughout the year: "Discovering Challenging Encounters in Insolvency Practice – Perspectives from the Bench" at a *Recent Developments in Insolvency Practice* seminar (28 July 2006); "A Snapshot of Federal Court Practice and Procedure" at the College of Law (30 August 2006); bankruptcy aspects of the jurisdiction of the Family Court of Australia at a conference of the Judges of that Court (14 October 2006); "Presenting Legal Argument" at the NSW Bar Association (13 November 2006 and 19 June 2007); practical issues relating to litigation in the Federal Court of Australia at an seminar of Australian Government lawyers (15 February 2007); address to external students studying law at the University of New England (17 February 2007); "Update on Intellectual Property Litigation in the Federal Court" for the Young Lawyers Section of the Law Society of New South Wales (6 March 2007). On 18 October 2006, Justice Lindgren presided at a Sydney University Law Moot and on 10 May 2007, presided at one of the "mock trials" conducted as part of the NSW Bar Association's Bar Practice Course. On 16 March 2007, his Honour presented a paper entitled "Is the Australian Law Journal an Australian law journal?" at the *Judges' Review Conference 2007: Past, Present and Future Perspectives on the Law* held to celebrate the first 80 years of the *Australian Law Journal*. On 2 May 2007, together with Justice Branson, Justice Lindgren spoke at the launch of *Federal Civil Litigation Precedents*, a looseleaf publication of which they are the Advisory Editors. On 24 May 2007, his Honour presented a paper on "The Jurisdiction of the Copyright Tribunal of Australia: the 2006 Amendments" at a seminar held by The Copyright Society of Australia. The paper is in the course of being published in *The Copyright Reporter*.

In February 2007, Justice TAMBERLIN was part of a group of judges who received a delegation from the Supreme Administrative Court of Thailand. In late April, Justice Tamberlin reciprocated the visit and travelled to Bangkok, where his Honour delivered a paper to the Thai judges on techniques of judgment writing. Subsequently, his Honour drafted a memorandum summarising his paper and forwarded it to the Thai Court. On 4 April 2007, Justice Tamberlin accompanied a group of judges, registrars and other members of the Court on a visit to the Sydney Ports Authority as part of the Admiralty Marshals training program. Justice Tamberlin also continued his previous commitments in connection with Sydney University mooting, adjudicating an administrative law moot court on 31 May 2007. In early June 2007, Justice Tamberlin was one of a number of judges who received a visit from Judge Yang Honglei, a judge of the Supreme People's Court of China. Judge Yang sat with his Honour for part of a case concerning allegations of counterfeit trademarks. On 12 June 2007, Justice Tamberlin gave a presentation to senior members of the legal profession concerning the Court's "eCourt" facilities. In particular, his Honour promoted the use of online facilities which allowed directions and some interlocutory hearings to be conducted without the parties attending court.

Justice SACKVILLE concluded his two year term as Chair of the Judicial Conference of Australia, the representative body for Australian judicial officers, on 8 October 2006. He chaired sessions at the Annual Colloquium of the JCA held in Canberra on 6–8 October 2006. In July 2007, Justice

Sackville completed a visit to the United Kingdom to study judicial appointments procedures and the processes for dealing with complaints against judicial officers. His visit included meetings with the Judicial Appointments Commission, the Office of Judicial Complaints, the Judicial Studies Board, the Directorate of Judicial Offices for England and Wales and the Judicial Appointments and Conduct Commission. On 27 October 2006, Justice Sackville gave a paper to *A Judicial Appointments Forum*, entitled 'The Judicial Appointments Process in Australia: Towards Independence and Accountability' (published 2007 16 *JJA* 125–138). Justice Sackville presented a paper on 'Law and Social Change' on 27 October 2006 to the Sixth Annual Members' Conference of the Administrative Decisions Tribunal. On 17 November 2006 he gave a presentation to the Post-Graduate Legal Research Students Conference on 'Writing to Make a Difference: The Impact of Academic Legal Scholarship in Judgments'. Justice Sackville gave a presentation to Sydney Judges of the Family Court of Australia on 23 March 2007. He also participated in the Judicial Orientation Program on 10 October 2006 and 15 May 2007, contributing to sessions on expert evidence. On 25 February 2007 Justice Sackville participated in a ceremony to mark the opening of the Civil and Commercial Court of Qatar, of which he has been appointed a member.

Justice KIEFEL delivered a paper entitled "The Role of Policy in the Law of Obligations" at the International Obligations Law Conference organised by the University of Queensland and held in July 2006. The conference papers will be published by Cambridge University Press. Her Honour provided a commentary on papers on Judicial Ethics at the Colloquium of the Judicial Conference of Australia held in October 2006. Her Honour also gave the after dinner speech at a dinner at Bond University held in honour of Justice McPherson of the Court of Appeal of the Supreme Court of Queensland. Her Honour chaired the session on Mergers and Acquisitions at the Competition Law Conference in Sydney in May 2007.

On 11 July 2006 Justice NICHOLSON met with Dr Marco Fabri, Senior Researcher of the Institute for the Study of Comparative Judicial Systems (IRSIG) at Bologna University for an informal seminar on research issues in Australia and Italy. On 9–11 February 2007 Justice Nicholson attended the 'Confidence in Courts' Conference held in Canberra, hosted by the National Judicial College of Australia in conjunction with the ANU College of Law and the ANU National Institute of Social Sciences and Law. On 11 February 2007 he chaired Session 2 'Does the public have confidence in the Courts?' On 16 February 2007 Justice Nicholson attended 'The Constitutional Law Conference' held in Sydney and hosted by the Gilbert-Tobin Centre of Public Law of The University of New South Wales and supported by The Australian Association of Constitutional Law. On 23 February 2007 he attended a workshop with Professor Hathaway entitled 'Protection Elsewhere: International Law and the Off Shore Processing and Protection of Refugees' held at the Melbourne University Law School. On 29 March 2007 as part of the Federal Court Judges' Judicial Workshop held in Melbourne Justice Nicholson chaired the session 'Cultural Difference and Judicial Understanding'. On 10 May 2007 Justice Nicholson participated in Law Week 2007 as Master of Ceremonies at the annual Sir Ronald Wilson Lecture given by the Hon Ron Merkel QC. In May 2007 Justice Nicholson was asked to make a contribution to the University of Melbourne Law Review, 50th Anniversary edition celebrating the life of Sir Ronald Wilson, due to be published in the August 2007 edition. On 4 June 2007 Justice Nicholson led one of three discussion groups on the topic of 'How to provide training for chief court administrators' as part of a presentation given by The Hon Clifford Wallace, Chief Judge Emeritus, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, USA to the 12th Conference of Chief Justices of Asia and the Pacific held in Hong Kong. On 5 June 2007, Justice Nicholson presented a paper to the 12th Conference of Chief Justices of Asia and the Pacific Conference in Hong Kong entitled 'Continuing Issues in Judicial Ethics'. Justice Nicholson is a Foundation Fellow of the newly established Australian Academy of Law established by the Australian Law Reform Commission. Justice Nicholson also continues to be a member of both the Board and Council of the Australian Institute of Judicial Administration and Chair of the Projects and Research Committee of the AIJA. His Honour is also Secretary of the LAWASIA Judicial Section and he is Deputy Convenor of the Trustees of the Francis Burt Education Centre. Justice Nicholson continues to be a member of the Advisory Board to the Center for International Accountability of Organizations and Chair of the Foreign Advisory Board to the International Judicial Academy in Washington DC. He is also President of the International Commission of Jurists, Western Australian Branch.

Justice FINN is a member of the Third Working Group on UNIDROIT's Principles on International Commercial Contract. During the year he also presented a session to Flinders University on "Federal Court Jurisdiction and Practice". He also presented to a seminar to the South Australian legal profession on the "Federal Jurisdiction". He participated in the University of South Australia's annual Trade Practices Workshop presenting a paper on "Unconscionable Conduct". Justice Finn also contributed a chapter to the festschrift in honour of Justice B H McPherson CBE entitled "The Fringes of the Law: Public or Private Functions" in Aladin Rahemtula (Ed) *Justice According to Law*, 2006. He also delivered a paper on "Government in Commerce or Commerce in Government" to the Commercial Law Association's 2006 Leading Edge Seminar Series in Sydney.

In July 2006, Justice MARSHALL delivered a paper at the monthly meeting of the United Nations Association of Australia entitled "Justice or Appeasement – Human Rights in East Timor". In August 2006, Justice Marshall delivered a paper at a meeting of the Industrial Relations Society of Tasmania entitled "Workchoices and the Federal Court." Also in August 2006 Justice Marshall was the guest speaker at the Australian Capital Territory Bar Association's Bench and Bar Dinner. He addressed the dinner on the topic of the East Timor judicial system. In September 2006, Justice Marshall participated with two judges of the Court of Appeal of the Supreme Court of Victoria (Maxwell P and Redlich JA) in judging the senior grand final of the Victorian Council of Law Students' Societies' Moot. Also in September 2006, Justice Marshall judged one of the preliminary moots in the Sir Henry Gibbs Moot at Victoria University. In October 2006, Justice Marshall participated as a final judge in the 28th Media Peace Awards for the United Nations Association of Australia. In April 2007 Justice Marshall adjudicated the Grand Final of the Monash Law Students' Society Mooting Competition (with Middleton J). In May 2007, Justice Marshall addressed the Queensland branch of the International Commission of Jurists on the topic of "the challenges facing the judiciary in Timor Leste". On 10 May 2007, Justice Marshall hosted a moot court session for the Victorian Bar Readers.

Justice NORTH is a member of the Monash University Workplace and Employment Law Advisory Panel. On 5 September 2006 Justice North gave a lecture at the University of Melbourne to law students on the subject of assisted dispute resolution. In September 2006 Justice North attended the Federal Court of Canada education seminar on immigration law and addressed the seminar on "International Protection". On 22 September 2006 Justice North attended the meeting of judges of the Federal Court of Canada as an observer. On 26 and 27 September 2006 Justice North launched the Africa Chapter of the International Association of Refugee Law judges in Pretoria and chaired a workshop on refugee law for African judges. On 31 January 2007, Justice North presented the keynote address entitled "My Court Car is a Helicopter" to the conference entitled "Inside the administration of justice: Toward a new model of Court administration" organised by the Canadian Judicial Council and held in Victoria, British Columbia. On 5 February 2007, Justice North sat on the Court of Appeal in London at the invitation of Lord Justice Sedley. In February 2007 Justice North attended meetings in Geneva at the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in relation to the activities of the International Association of Refugee Law Judges. Also in February Justice North visited Pretoria and Cape Town, South Africa, and held meetings in relation to the organisation of the world conference of the International Association of Refugee Law Judges to be held in November 2008. On 23 March 2007, Justice North gave a presentation to the registrars of the Federal Court in Melbourne on the place of assisted dispute resolution within the Federal Court. On 20 April 2007, Justice North hosted a visit to Melbourne of the President and Deputy President of the Municipal Court of Budapest. On 12 April 2007, Justice North gave an address to the Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators entitled "The Court With Many Doors" concerning assisted dispute resolution. On 17 April 2007, Justice North hosted a visit of Japanese judges concerned with refugee law. On 20 June 2007, to mark World Refugee Day Justice North addressed a group of lawyers who had performed pro bono work in refugee cases.

Justice North is a member of the International Humanitarian Law Advisory Committee of the Victorian Branch of the Red Cross.

Justice MANSFIELD is Chair of the Graduate Diploma and Legal Practice Course Committee of the Law Society of South Australia as well as Chair of the SA Bar Association CPD Committee. He attended the Law Council of Australia Trade Practices Conference in Canberra on 21–23 July 2006. On 12 September 2006 he presented *Affidavits and Witness Statements* for the Bar Readers Course in Adelaide. Justice Mansfield also attended the Third AIJA Appellate Judges' Conference 14–15

September 2006. Justice Mansfield opened the UniSA Trade Practices Workshop 20–21 October 2006 and also presented two lectures to the Northern Territory Law Society entitled *Enforcement under the ACC Act – Are the edges that hard?* and *High Court 2005/2006 – What should we learn?* Justice Mansfield was the Visiting Judicial Fellow at the Flinders University Law School during the period 16–20 October 2006. He delivered a public lecture *How Balanced are the Scales of Justice: The Rule of Law in Australia* and a lecture on Advocacy, as well as attending and participating in staff seminars, lectures and tutorials. Justice Mansfield is also a member of the University of South Australia Law School Advisory Board. He also served on the University of South Australia Division of Business EQUIS Accreditation panel in March 2007.

Justice EMMETT is the Challis Lecturer in Roman Law at the University of Sydney and is currently a Deputy President of the Copyright Tribunal. Justice Emmett is also Consultant Editor and Contributor to Butterworths Australian Legal Dictionary and is on the Editorial Board of the Journal of Banking and Finance Law and Practice produced by Thomson Lawbook Co. Justice Emmett chaired a session dealing with superannuation at the Colloquium of the Judicial Conference of Australia, held from 6 to 10 October 2006. On 15 March 2007 Justice Emmett provided opening commentary to the Continuing Legal Education seminar on Developments in Directors' Duties conducted by the University of New South Wales. Justice Emmett participated in the Rhetoric Series organised by the New South Wales Bar Association, part of their Continuing Professional Development Program. He was also invited to chair a seminar in the series on 12 June 2007 and provided the opening commentary for the topic "Cicero's *De Oratore* and the *Philippics*".

In January 2007 Justice WEINBERG presented a paper entitled "Australia's Anti-Terrorism Legislation – Is there a *Boilermakers* Spanner in the Works?" to the Supreme and Federal Court Judges' Conference in Perth. Justice Weinberg attended the International Conference on the Administration of Justice and National Security in Democracies in Ottawa in June 2007. Justice Weinberg has been an Adjunct Professor in the Faculty of Business and Law, Deakin University since March 2005. Justice Weinberg has been a Board Member of Monash University Faculty of Law since 1998.

Justice KENNY has been a part-time Commissioner, Australian Law Reform Commission since May 2003. In that capacity she has been a Member of the Division constituted under the *Australian Law Reform Commission Act 1996* (Cth) for the purposes of the references on "Review of Privacy" and "Client Legal Privilege and Federal Investigatory Bodies". On February 6, 2007 she attended a public forum held by the Australian Law Reform Commission entitled "Consumers and Privacy – Have Your Say" at the State Library in Melbourne. Justice Kenny is a member of the Centre for International and Public Law Advisory Board, The Australian National University. For some years now, her Honour has also been a Board Member of the Monash University Faculty of Law. She is a member of the Board of Governors of the International Organization for Judicial Training (IOJT), the Australian Secretariat for the Asia Pacific Judicial Reform Forum and an alternate member of the Council of the National Judicial College of Australia. In October 2006, she participated in the deliberations of the Australian selection committee for awarding Menzies Scholarships in Law for the 2007 academic year. Also in October 2006, Justice Kenny was invited to speak at the "Global Forum on Liberty and Prosperity – The Experience of Judicial Educators" in Manila.

Justice GYLES visited the Canadian Federal Court and the Canadian Tax Court in Vancouver for a week in September 2006 observing the work of those Courts, consulting with the Justices who were present and also making contact with the British Columbia Supreme Court. In October 2006 he spoke at the Third Annual University of South Australia Trade Practices Workshop. In February 2007 Justice Gyles gave the opening address at a Law Society Young Lawyers Employment and Industrial Law Committee Continuing Legal Education Seminar in Sydney.

In July 2006 Justice STONE attended a seminar on "Justice and Society" held at the Aspen Institute in Colorado, USA. On 2 November her Honour delivered the Keynote Address "*The GST – A Practical Business Tax?*" at the Taxation Institute of Australia's Conference on the Goods and Services Tax, entitled "Taking the Reins" held in Melbourne. On 22 February Justice Stone delivered the Libby Slater Memorial Address entitled "*The Superannuation Trustee as a Fiduciary*" at the "Superannuation 2007" Conference held in Adelaide. In May the *Journal of Equity* published a paper by Justice Stone entitled "*The superannuation trustee: Are fiduciary obligations and standards appropriate?*" On 27 June Justice Stone was appointed a Member of the Governing Council of the Judicial College of Australia.

Justice ALLSOP was invited to present papers at conferences on Admiralty and maritime law, commercial arbitration, maritime arbitration and international trade law to organisations both in Australia and overseas. Justice Allsop also attended workshops and conferences on trade practices, maritime law, transport, pilotage and ports and the Federal Court Admiralty Education and Training Day for NSW Judges and Admiralty Marshals. His Honour attended the Asia–Pacific Regional Meeting on the work of the Hague Conference on Private International Law. Justice Allsop also participated as a judge at the International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot Competition held in Melbourne. His Honour visited China as a member of the working party from the Federal Court of Australia as part of the China Australia Governance Programme. Justice Allsop holds a position as a Governor of the World Maritime University being a university under the auspices of the International Maritime Organisation, a United Nations body.

Justice BENNETT attended the Judgment Writing program conducted by the Judicial College for the Federal Court at Lillianfels 31 May to 2 June 2006. On 23 August 2006 Justice Bennett was invited to address an IPSANZ meeting in Adelaide on *Different Perspectives on Intellectual Property Litigation*. Her Honour was also invited to speak in the Section on Intellectual Property at the International Bar Association Conference in Chicago during September 2006 in a panel with Judges from the USA and Germany on Specialisation of Judges in the context of Intellectual Property. As a member of the Law Academic Advisory Committee for the School of Law of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Justice Bennett addressed academics and the profession in Hong Kong on *The Role of Alternative Dispute Resolution* in November 2006 and attended the formal opening of the School of Law. Her Honour spoke to the Women Lawyers Association of the ACT in Canberra on 15 December 2006 and, in January 2007, attended the Supreme and Federal Court Judges' Conference in Perth. Justice Bennett attended and delivered a paper at the APEC IP Symposium held in Sydney 28 to 31 January 2007 *Trading Ideas – The Future of IP in Asia Pacific* on the topic of "Resolving Intellectual Property Disputes – Issues for the Court". In June 2007, Justice Bennett, together with other Federal Court Judges, met with Judges of the Supreme People's Court of the People's Republic of China in Beijing where Justice Bennett presented a joint paper with Justice Mansfield on Jurisdiction and Structure of the Federal Court of Australia, and also discussed Intellectual Property issues. Justice Bennett and Justice Allsop made a joint presentation to the Judges' College of the Supreme People's Court on Administrative Law. Justice Bennett was a member of the Reference Group for the APEC Women Leaders' Network Meeting in Port Douglas from 24 to 27 June 2007. The theme was *Strengthening the Capacity of Business to Meet the Challenges of Global Change*. Justice Bennett was responsible for and Chair and rapporteur for the sessions on Strengthening Capacity. Her Honour also chaired the *Drafting Committee for the Recommendations* arising from the WLN meeting. Justice Bennett continues to be involved in a number of other judicial and extra-judicial commitments including Presidential Member of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, Pro-Chancellor of the Australian National University, Director of the Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation, member of the Board of the Centennial Park & Moore Park Trust, member of Chief Executive Women and past President of the Australian Academy of Forensic Sciences. Her Honour was also a member of the judging panel for the Australian Veve Clicquot Award for Business Woman of the Year.

Justice EDMONDS presented a paper entitled *Statutory Interpretation – Judicial Perspectives on the Interpretation of Australia's Income Tax Legislation* at a Conference organised by the Australian Tax Research Foundation on Thursday, 19 October 2006 entitled: *Executing Australia's Income Tax – There Must be a Better Way*; his Honour presented a paper entitled *Recourse to Foreign Authority in Deciding Australian Tax Cases* at the 19th Annual Conference of the Australasian Tax Teachers' Association (University of Queensland), 22–24 January 2007, an edited version of which was subsequently published in the Australian Tax Review; his Honour presided at a mock trial organised by the Taxation Institute of Australia at its National Conference in Hobart from 14 to 17 March 2007; on Tuesday, 3 April 2007 his Honour participated in a "hypotheticals" programme presided over by Mr Geoffrey Robertson QC in conjunction with the Commissioner of Taxation and other participants.

On 27 July 2006 Justice GRAHAM presented a paper on 'Recent Developments in Insolvency Practice'. His Honour also participated in the Bar Reading Programme organised by the New South Wales Bar Association.

On 20 August 2006, Justice GREENWOOD delivered an address on the topic of 'Management of IP Cases in the Federal Court' at the Judges' session of the 20th Annual Intellectual Property Society

of Australia and New Zealand Inc Conference held in Queensland. On 17 March 2007, his Honour gave the keynote address on the topic 'Intellectual Property Issues: Comments from the Bench' to the Annual Conference of the Licensing Executives Society of Australia and New Zealand, in Queensland. On 11 October 2006, his Honour chaired and addressed a conference convened by the Bar Association of Queensland concerning recent developments in administrative law and aspects of practice and procedure in appeals to the Federal Court from the AAT. His Honour is a member of the Key Centre for Ethics, Law, Justice and Governance at Griffith University. His Honour is a member of the Scholarship Endowment Fund Committee of the TC Beirne School of Law at the University of Queensland. His Honour participated in the adjudication of moots in connection with the Jessup Competition. His Honour is a member of the Library Acquisitions Sub-committee of the Supreme Court of Queensland and the Supreme Court History Sub-committee. Justice Greenwood attended the Annual Conference of the Trade Practices Committee of the Law Council of Australia.

On 26 October 2006, Justice RARES presented a paper on defamation and the Uniform Code to a Media Law Conference at the Marriott Hotel, Sydney. On 24 February 2007 he gave a paper, 'Some Lessons from Pan's Odyssey', to the third biennial conference of the New South Wales branch of the Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand. On 23 May 2007 he acted as one of the judges in the University of Sydney International Law moot final. In the same month, he also participated in the NSW Bar Association's reader's course.

On 11 September 2006 Justice COWDROY addressed the Legal Panel of the Royal Australian Navy at Maritime Headquarters Sydney concerning the impact of Commonwealth environmental law on maritime operations. On 20 November 2006 Justice Cowdroy was guest speaker at the Defence Legal National Conference on the topic of the Impact of Environmental Law on the Defence Forces. On 8 June 2007 Justice Cowdroy addressed the Maritime Security Co-operation Conference of the Asia Pacific Centre for Military Law and US Naval War College, International Law Department, on aspects of Australian law affecting joint defence operations.