

Contributors

The Hon Wayne Martin, Chief Justice of Western Australia. The Honourable Wayne Martin was appointed as Western Australia's 13th Chief Justice on 1 May 2006. He joined the Independent Bar in 1988 and was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1993. From 2001-03, he took on the role of counsel assisting the HIH Royal Commission in Sydney. The Chief Justice was President of the WA Bar Association between 1996 and 1999, and Chairman of the Western Australian Law Reform Commission from 1996 to 2001, when the commission completed the *Review of the Criminal and Civil Justice System in Western Australia*. The Chief Justice was also a member of the Council of the Law Society of Western Australia, and was President of the Society when appointed to his current office. In 2007, the Chief Justice was awarded WA Citizen of the Year for the Professions.

Stephen Gageler SC commenced a five-year term as Solicitor-General of Australia in September 2008. He was admitted as a barrister and solicitor of the High Court in 1982 and as a barrister of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in 1989. Mr Gageler was appointed Senior Counsel in 2000. He is a graduate of the Australian National University and has postgraduate qualifications from Harvard University.

Anne Twomey is a constitutional lawyer and an Associate Professor at the University of Sydney Law School. She has previously worked for the High Court of Australia, the Commonwealth Parliament and The Cabinet Office of New South Wales. She has written extensively in the area of constitutional law, including issues concerning the Crown and the republic. Her works include *The Constitution of New South Wales* (Federation Press, 2004) and *The Chameleon Crown – The Queen and Her Australian Governors* (Federation Press, 2006).

Sarah Murray is an Assistant Professor at the University of Western Australia where she teaches constitutional law and researches in the area of public law and less-adversarial justice. She is undertaking a doctorate at Monash University Law School and is on the Council of the Australian Association of Constitutional Law.

Cheryl Saunders is a laureate professor at the University of Melbourne and founding Director of the Centre for Comparative Constitutional Studies. She works in the areas of constitution-making and design, federalism, intergovernmental relations and comparative constitutional law, and is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Social Sciences in Australia. From 1991-2000 she was deputy chair of the Australian Constitutional Centenary Foundation, established to assist broad public understanding of the Australian constitutional system and to encourage public involvement in constitutional debate. She is a President Emeritus of the International Association of Constitutional Law and is currently President of the International Association of Centres for Federal Studies. She has held visiting positions at the universities of Oxford, Cambridge, Paris II, Indiana (Bloomington), Hong Kong, Copenhagen, Fribourg, Capetown and Auckland, and has an honorary doctorate from the University of Cordoba, Argentina. In 1994 she was appointed an Officer in the Order of Australia, for services to the law and to public administration. She is a Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur of France.

Peter Johnston is a Senior Research Fellow at the University Western Australia and a Visiting Lecturer in constitutional law at Monash University. He is also a member of the Independent Bar and since 1976 has appeared in a number of major constitutional law cases in the Western Australian Supreme Court, Federal Court and High Court of Australia. He also held a number of public offices including Deputy Chair, Environment Protection Authority (WA); Deputy President, Commonwealth Administrative Appeals Tribunal and Inquiry Commissioner, Commonwealth Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission. Since retiring from full-time teaching in 2003 he has, in addition to practice at the bar, continued to engage in research and publication of articles and book chapters in the fields of constitutional, administrative, environmental and international law.

Janine Pritchard. At the time of the 'Planning for a Republic' Conference in November 2008, Janine Pritchard was a Senior Assistant State Counsel at the Western Australian State Solicitor's Office, where she gained extensive experience as a solicitor and as counsel in public law, including constitutional law, administrative law, freedom of information and privacy, industrial law,

and the prosecution of regulatory offences. She appeared as counsel in courts and tribunals in Western Australia, particularly in the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal, and in the High Court of Australia. In June 2009, she was appointed a Judge of the District Court of Western Australia, and sits as a Deputy President of the State Administrative Tribunal.

Alan Fenna is Professor of Politics at the John Curtin Institute of Public Policy, Curtin University, Western Australia. He is author of *Australian Public Policy* (Longman, 2004) and co-author, with Thomas O Hueglin, of *Comparative Federalism: a Systematic Inquiry* (Broadview, 2006).

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Greg Craven. Professor Greg Craven, lawyer and academic, commenced as Vice-Chancellor of Australian Catholic University (ACU National) in February 2008. An expert in public law, Professor Craven has published numerous journal articles and four books, including *Conversations with the Constitution* (University of New South Wales Press, 2004). A regular contributor to public debate, he is a columnist for the *Australian Financial Review*. Before his appointment at ACU National, Professor Craven served as Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Strategy & Planning) at Curtin University of Technology in Western Australia, where he also held the position of Professor of Government and Constitutional Law, having previously served as Executive Director of the John Curtin Institute of Public Policy. Professor Craven was Foundation Dean and Professor of Law at the University of Notre Dame Australia, and Reader in Law at the University of Melbourne. He also served as Crown Counsel to the Victorian Government from 1992-95.

Jackie McArthur completed a Bachelor of Laws (Hons) at the University of Western Australia in 2009. She has worked as the Professional Legal Research Assistant for the State Solicitor for Western Australia, and is currently the Professional Legal Research Assistant to the State Counsel for Western Australia. Additionally, Jackie tutors in constitutional law the University of Western Australia.
