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2014 Seminar Series





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The Bar Association of Queensland, University of Queensland, Queensland University of Technology and Supreme Court of Queensland Library are pleased to announce the Current Legal Issues Seminar Series for 2014.

The seminar series seeks to bring together leading scholars, practitioners and members of the judiciary in Queensland and from abroad to discuss key issues of contemporary legal significance.

Seminar 1	The 'Objective' Approach to Statutory Interpretation - Views From Abroad
Date:	Thursday 8 May 2014
Co-Presenters:	The Hon. Dyson Heydon AC QC
	Professor Stefan Vogenauer, Linklaters Professor of Comparative Law, University of Oxford
Chair:	Professor Bill Lane, Queensland University of Technology
Abstract:	Australian law has recently seen a vivid debate about 'subjective' and 'objective' approaches to statutory interpretation. The roles of 'legislative intent', 'purpose', text and context have been discussed and assessed afresh. Apart from the occasional glance at English case law, not much attention has been paid to how other jurisdictions approach the issue. This seminar will give a brief overview of how civil law systems and English lawyers frame the problem and resolve the tensions between the different approaches.

Seminar 2	The Right to Silence: Implications from the X7 Case
Date:	Thursday 17 July 2014
Presenter:	Peter Davis QC, President, Bar Association of Queensland
Commentator:	Tony Moynihan QC, Director of Public Prosecutions, Queensland
Chair:	Professor Heather Douglas, University of Queensland

Seminar 3	Some Issues in the Law of Contract Interpretation in Australia
Date:	Thursday 28 August 2014
Presenter:	Professor David McLauchlan, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand
Commentator:	Declan Kelly QC, Barrister-at-Law, Queensland
Chair:	Prof Bill Duncan, Queensland University of Technology

Seminar 4	AIJA Oration: The Jackson Reforms and Civil Justice
Date:	Monday 22 September 2014
Presenter:	The Rt. Hon. the Lord Dyson, Master of the Rolls and Head of Civil Justice, England and Wales
Chair:	The Hon. Justice May, Family Court of Australia, and President, Australasian Institute of Judicial Administration

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#### Aims:

The series seeks to bring together leading scholars, practitioners and members of the Judiciary in Queensland and from abroad, with a view to:

- providing a forum for the critical analysis and discussion of current legal issues
- bringing to bear upon those issues the different perspectives offered by leading members of the academy, the profession and the judiciary
- forging stronger links between academic and practising lawyers in Queensland

#### Time:

Registration 4.45pm - 5.00pm.

Seminar 5.00pm - 6.30pm, followed by refreshments.

#### Format:

Each seminar will comprise a chairman, speaker and co-speaker/commentator. The chairman will introduce the speaker(s) and commentator. A paper will then be presented by a leading practising or academic lawyer. This will be followed either by a commentary or additional, complementary paper. The lecture will be available in advance on <a href="https://www.law.uq.edu.au/current-legal-issues-series">www.law.uq.edu.au/current-legal-issues-series</a>, a website hosted by the University of Queensland.

#### Venue:

Banco Court, Queen Elizabeth II Courts of Law, 415 George Street, Brisbane.

#### CPD:

The series is accredited for CPD purposes by the Queensland Bar Association, 1.5 CPD points each seminar in the Substantive Law (non allocated strand).

#### **Participants:**

The series in 2014 is a collaboration between the University of Queensland, the Bar Association of Queensland, Queensland University of Technology and the Supreme Court of Queensland Library.

#### Website:

www.law.uq.edu.au/current-legal-issues-series

#### **RSVP**:

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