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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

It was wonderful to see so many of our members in London and Dublin in July for the 2017 Australian Bar Association International Conference. It was a great opportunity to highlight and profile the excellence of the Australian Bar to the rest of the world and to learn from the experiences and shared knowledge of our colleagues practising abroad. For more on the conference, see the full report on page 2.

National pro bono data project

The ABA has recently undertaken a national pro bono data project seeking to establish a national approach to the recording of the numbers of unrepresented litigants appearing in Australia's superior courts and how much pro bono work the independent Bars are performing to fill the justice gap.

This information is important to each State and Territory Court and Bar as well as the State and Federal Governments. The ABA has written to the Chief Justices of each Supreme Court seeking to ascertain what data is currently being recorded. We thank the Courts for their co-operative and supportive approach to this project and the time they have taken in collating and providing this data. The ABA is looking forward to working with the Courts on the next stage of this important project, a key element of which will be deciding up a uniform data collection model that best suits the needs of all the Courts.

Early briefing in litigation

The ABA has recently been advocating for the promotion of our members and the valuable skills and expertise they provide through early and direct briefing. To this end, I was pleased to meet with the Association of Corporate Council (Australia) in August to explore furthering the ties and co-operation between the ABA and ACC Australia in this important area of mutual interest.

This issue is also sure to be a keen topic of conversation at a joint networking drinks event with the UK Bar and NSW Bar in Sydney on 12 October 2017 during the week of the International Bar Association (IBA) conference. I will provide you with further updates in my final President's Report in December.



Will Alstergren QC
Australian Bar Association President

2017 International ABA Conference Report

The 2017 Australian Bar Association (ABA) International Conference, held in London and Dublin from 2 – 8 July, was a resounding success. It demonstrated the need for international conferences and the value of conferring with international Bars and Benches, in this case the Bars and Benches of the UK and Ireland.

The conference saw barristers and judges from across the globe come together to discuss innovative ways to address these challenges and benefit from these opportunities.

Delegates heard from speakers including the Chairman of the UK Bar Andrew Langdon QC; the Attorney-General of England and Wales the Rt Hon Jeremy Wright QC MP; the President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom, The Right Hon the Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury; the Deputy President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom, The Right Hon the Baroness Hale of Richmond; His Excellency Judge James Crawford AC SC FBA, International Court of Justice; members of the Australian judiciary of whom there were many, including the Hon Patrick Keane AC and the Hon Stephen Gageler AC of the High Court of Australia; the Australian High Commissioner to the United Kingdom, the Hon Alexander Downer AC; and Australian Attorney-General Senator the Honourable George Brandis QC.

The ABA would like to thank everyone who attended the conference. Your presence and contributions were invaluable to the success of the conference. The ABA would also like to pass on special thanks to the UK and Irish Bars for their incredible support as our hosts.

As Mr Brandis QC said in his opening address: “Indeed it is true to say that the Australian Bars owe their genesis to the Bars of England and Ireland. To this day, we adopt the same forms, we adopt court dress, and of course we apply the same body of legal principle, the great principles of the common law and equity evolved here in London over centuries and applied throughout the Commonwealth, applied throughout the Australian system, and although it is the case that English cases are less frequently cited in Australian courts than may have been so a quarter of a century ago, it remains the case that the corpus of English law is the most important body of work outside Australia’s own domestic jurisprudence, which our courts follow and observe. We are, in other words, the legatees and custodians of a common intellectual tradition and it is a tradition that every man and woman in this room has in one way or another devoted their professional lives to honouring, serving and developing.”

The conference covered a wide range of highly interesting and thought-provoking topics including the rule of law; access to justice; freedom of speech, section 18C and the right to privacy; Brexit; harmonising civil and common law approaches in international commercial arbitration; and for the first time there was an inaugural tax stream



The Attorney-General of England and Wales the Rt Hon Jeremy Wright QC MP and ABA President Will Alstergren QC.



Kate Eastman SC, Chair of the ABA Diversity and Equality Committee with Baroness Hale (then) Deputy President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom.

for one day in London. The tax stream of the conference also attracted revered speakers and was a great success.

A key topic on which the ABA has been campaigning and which is gaining increased traction – that being briefing counsel early in litigation – was also covered at the conference.

Topics and issues discussed at the conference generated substantial media coverage in Australia and the UK, with particular attention paid to the address by the then President of The Supreme Court of the United Kingdom, The Right Hon the Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury which covered, in part, concerns regarding legal aid and access to justice.

“It is simply wrong, and fundamentally wrong at that, if ordinary citizens and businesses are unable to obtain competent legal advice as to their legal rights and obligations, and competent legal representation to enforce and protect those rights and test those obligations in court,” Lord Neuberger said in his address.



L-R: Lord Neuberger (then President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom); Chrissa Loukas SC, Junior Vice President NSW Bar, Mrs Susan Denham (then Chief Justice of Ireland) and Jennifer Batrouney QC, President of the Victorian Bar; Australian Attorney-General Senator the Honourable George Brandis QC.

“Obtaining advice and representation does not merely mean that competent lawyers exist; it also must mean that their advice and representation are sensibly affordable to ordinary people and businesses: access to justice is a practical, not a hypothetical, requirement.”

Lord Neuberger’s observations unfortunately resonate with the Australian experience in relation to access to justice and legal aid.

The ABA has been campaigning on the need to find alternative ways to fund access to justice in Australia, including, for example, by seeking funding from the private sector. We will keep you updated on developments in this area.

Farewell to Honourable Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria Marilyn Warren AC

ABA President Will Alstergren QC was among the more than 400 leading legal and other luminaries who attended the Victorian Bar/Law Institute of Victoria Farewell Dinner for The Honourable Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria Marilyn Warren AC on 23 September at the National Gallery of Victoria.

Following the farewell dinner, Her Honour’s Farewell sitting was held at the Supreme Court of Victoria Banco Court on Wednesday, 27 September 2017.

At the Farewell sitting, the Chief Justice’s remarks included the following observations:

“It has been an extraordinary honour and privilege to serve the administration of justice in this State for 19 years, 14 as Chief Justice. I think there is no better legal job in the State, and possibly the country, than being a judge of this Court, except being Chief Justice. There are abundant opportunities to sit on the most significant, complex and serious criminal and civil trials and appeals. There are opportunities to hear some of the best advocates in the land, assisted by cases impeccably prepared and managed by an outstanding legal profession. There are opportunities to be a part of the wonderful collegiality of this Court. Being a Supreme Court judge is also an

opportunity to determine the jurisprudence which contributes to the rule of law and the shaping of the State and the nation. Any barrister or lawyer who has the chance of appointment should jump at it.”

“I have reflected on some of the changes have I seen in my almost two decades on the Court. First, the increased application and intensity of case management. Judges supported by judicial and public administrators are extremely productive but demanding. Secondly, technology. It has expanded and will transform this Court, but again be demanding for all, because the coming generations of lawyers will be dominated by technology. Thirdly, expanded and novel jurisdictions. Fourthly, the establishment and expansion of judicial education opportunities to enable judicial officers to be their very best, including culturally aware in our multicultural society. Judges, in turn, are a step ahead because of the Judicial College of Victoria. Fifthly, a significant shift in the provision of information by the Courts about what they do. For example, the Supreme Court is extremely active in social media. Sixthly, the growth in the numbers of self-represented or unrepresented litigants (due to increased community awareness of rights and redress, the growth of administrative tribunals and VCAT, and the paucity of legal aid). Seventhly, the massive growth of alternative dispute resolution, especially judicial mediation in which the Supreme Court offers an important service. Fewer cases run to trial, verdict or judgment.”

"Eighthly, the presence of women on the Supreme Court bench and in court. In that respect, there is much more to be done. We have so many excellent women barristers and lawyers, we should see more of them in court and more often. Ninthly, recognition of the significance, relevance and importance of the indigenous peoples and awareness of their over-representation in the criminal justice system."

"All these phenomena and more will press barristers, lawyers and judges. Practice and judging have changed."

"The final change that I have seen is the shift of the media and community attitudes towards the Courts. Community interest in judges' work, particularly criminal work, has increased. Conventionally, judges do not speak out and defend or explain their decisions beyond their written reasons. This has been a difficulty."

"Sentencing attracts much public comment. Nearly everyone has an opinion. I have found sentencing the

hardest part of the job, trying to reach the correct sentence for the circumstances. Dealing, as this Court does, with homicide cases, it is hard confronting the pain and grief of family and friends who have lost a loved one. As judges, we feel that grief. I have not found the answer as to why judges' reasons for sentence are not read widely. Judges cannot really rely on the media for communication. It is up to us to write more simply and briefly with accompanying summaries and all published in an accessible way on the internet and through social media. This is an achievable goal which will help community understanding of what we do and why."

"I extend my warmest wishes to Justice Ferguson, who will assume the office of Chief Justice shortly. Her Honour will take the Court forward, together with her colleagues, to a whole new era. Mine now closes."

The full remarks of the Honourable Marilyn Warren AC, Chief Justice of Victoria can be [read and watched here](#).



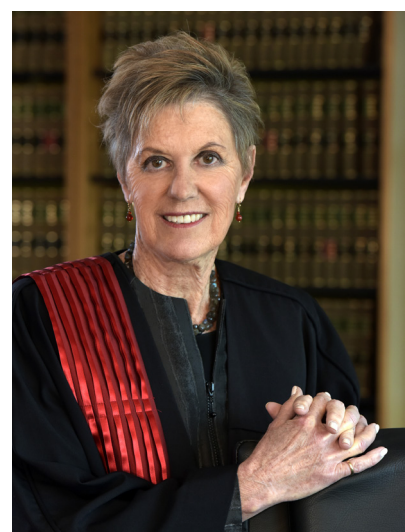
L-R: ABA President Will Alstergren QC, University of Melbourne Deputy Vice Chancellor (Graduate) Professor Carolyn Evans and CEO of the Supreme Court of Victoria Louise Anderson at the 23 September farewell dinner for Chief Justice Marilyn Warren AC; The Honourable Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria Marilyn Warren AC; Guests at the National Gallery of Victoria.

Farewell for Chief Justice of the Family Court of Australia the Honourable Diana Bryant AO

To mark the judicial retirement of the Chief Justice of the Family Court of Australia, the Honourable Chief Justice Diana Bryant AO, a ceremonial sitting of the Family Court of Australia will be held in the Melbourne Registry, Court Room 8A, on level 8 at 4.30pm on Friday 6 October 2017. Members of the Bar are invited to attend.

Members who cannot attend in person are advised that the ceremonial sitting can be viewed live via videoconference in most major registries (outside of Victoria). Please inquire with your local registry manager.

President Will Alstergren QC will address the Court on behalf of the ABA at the ceremonial sitting. A recording of the ceremonial sitting will be available on the Family Court website.



Advocacy Training Council

The Advocacy Training Council has been busy in the period since the last *ABA Member News* was published in July 2017.

First, we conducted the Essential Trial Advocacy Course (ETAC) in Perth in July and, secondly, we conducted the Appellate Advocacy Workshop in Brisbane in September.

ETAC was oversubscribed again, showing a consistent increase in demand for those coming to the Bars of Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania. Each of those Bars has a requirement that new entrants complete the Course.

In addition, new members of the Bars of the Territories have elected to undertake the Course, although it is not compulsory. Preference for places are given to the Bars of these States and Territories for places and, in the event that there are places left over (or to even up numbers) places might be made available to barristers at the eastern seaboard Bars with a small amount of experience (2 years or less).

This year we had 30 participants, including one Ross Ray QC Scholar (the other Scholar having to withdraw at the last minute and permitting us to even up the numbers as mentioned).

A Faculty of about 15 delivered the Course in Perth over five days, based at the District Court. The Course is conducted in accordance with the now familiar ABA Methodology and incorporates a full five-day experience of life at the Bar.

Again, the testimonials of the participants are our best endorsement. These will be posted to the ABA website. Congratulations are due to Matthew Howard SC and his team at the Western Australian Bar Association for delivering another faultless Course.

After a hiatus of 24 months, the Appellate Advocacy Workshop returned to Brisbane, conducted at the new Supreme Court. This year, in a first of what we hope will be one of many, the Workshop was jointly conducted by the ABA and the New Zealand Bar Association. It was opened with an inspirational Keynote address from the President of the Queensland Court of Appeal, Justice Walter Sofronoff, and never looked backward from there.

The Workshop is a very demanding Course over two and a half days. It required the 26 participants (again we were over-subscribed) to prepare one matter, seeking leave to appeal for applicant and respondent, respectively, on Day 1 and then to put the appeal (as if leave had been granted) for both appellant and respondent on Day 2.

The paperwork for the principal leave and principal appeal was lodged beforehand. That means that participants prepared and delivered four substantive appellate performances in two days. The performances



were delivered to a Faculty of about 15 appellate Court justices from Australia and New Zealand. The Workshop provided participants the unique opportunity to get feedback from those Justices and the Faculty of approximately 15 senior Silks, this year including the Solicitor General of Queensland, Peter Dunning QC, and James Farmer QC from New Zealand. Again, based on word of mouth from the participants, Justices and Faculty, the Workshop will be repeated next year. I urge you to be quick to sign-up when registrations open for 2018.

2018 Advanced Trial Advocacy Intensive (22 to 26 January)

The Advanced Trial Advocacy Intensive will be conducted in Sydney from 22 to 26 January 2018. It will conclude on Australia Day and is to be delivered at the Federal Court at Queen's Square. Like ETAC, it is a residential Course, but it is pitched at barristers with 5 – 7 years plus at a Bar rather than those coming to the Bar.

As reported in the last Newsletter, the Course is available to juniors and Silk alike. It is run in two streams, one civil and the other, criminal. The size of each stream is dependent on demand.

The Civil Stream will be undertaking a fresh problem (not *Medie*) and the Criminal Stream will be reprising the problem introduced new last year (that rejoices in the working title, "Blowing up Judges").

As was the case last year, the Criminal Stream will end with a jury trial with jurors drawn from the ranks of the law schools and elsewhere. The subscription is again set at 42 barristers.

The Faculty is drawn from Judges, Silks and Senior Juniors from Australia and other common law jurisdictions. The cost is inclusive of accommodation and meals (on all but one evening).

Subscriptions have already opened and members are encouraged to reserve their place quickly.

More details [can be found here](#).

ABA Member Profile

Each quarter, the ABA Member News profiles a member. If you would like to nominate a member to be featured, please email media@austbar.asn.au

Matthew J Collins QC of the Victorian Bar

Matt joined the Victorian Bar in 1999 after a 6 year stint at Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now King & Wood Mallesons). He has a broad commercial practice but specialises in media and communications law. He is the current Senior-Vice President of the Victorian Bar, the Chair of the Victorian Bar Readers' Course, a Senior Fellow at the Melbourne Law School and a member of the Melbourne Law School Foundation Board. He holds a PhD from Melbourne University and is the author of four text books published by Oxford University Press, including *Collins on Defamation* (2014), one of the standard texts on the law of libel and slander in England and Wales.

Where did you grow up?

A bit all over the place. I was born in Adelaide to semi-nomadic teachers. We lived in country South Australia for a number of years, before moving to Papua New Guinea. I went to high school in PNG for two years before returning to Adelaide to go to boarding school, while my parents moved to Alice Springs, Indonesia and then Queensland. I moved to Melbourne straight after law school.

What drove you to pursue a career in the law?

Corny though it sounds, a desire to help people by assisting in solving problems. That and Victor Sifuentes on *LA Law*. Oh, and I couldn't be a medico because of an aversion to blood and needles.

Did you always want to be a barrister?

No. I had mooted at law school and debated before that, but hadn't resolved on a career at the bar until shortly before I took the plunge. While a solicitor, I was always struck by how much more satisfying what the barristers were doing seemed to be. It looked like freedom, and in a sense it is – the illusion of freedom that comes from being your own boss.

What do you love most about practising law?

When a cross-examination unfolds in the way you had planned it in your head. That moment when you are on your feet and you see the tribunal persuaded by a submission. The privilege we enjoy of contributing, by our advocacy, to the long, slow evolution of the common law.

What have been some of the bigger challenges you've faced in your career or as a barrister?

Achieving a proper work-life balance, and avoiding the isolation that is to some extent inherent in being a sole practitioner requires discipline and attention.

It is all too easy to become a slave to the competing demands for your time, from courts, clients, instructors, clerks, email and the telephone. I am a big advocate for taking regular breaks and not fretting that I may have missed the brief of my life during my absence.



What does the future hold for the practice of law at the Bar?

I am an optimist. I don't subscribe to the view that most of what we do will soon be replaced by computer algorithms. Our challenge is to maintain and grow the market for specialised advocacy in an era of constant disruption. To my mind, that means we must continually examine the way we do things and evolve, but with purpose: anchored in a core belief that independent, fearless, intelligent and nuanced advocacy is special and valuable.

What are some of the cases you've worked on in recent years?

The only case people ask me about at the moment is *Rebel Wilson v Bauer Media*, in which I acted earlier this year for the plaintiff. The degree of worldwide interest in the case was staggering. Before that, I acted for the defendants in the *Joe Hockey v Fairfax Media* 'Treasurer for sale' case, which opened my eyes to the modern intersection between litigation on the one hand, and social media and the 24-hour news cycle on the other, in high-profile cases.

What do you do to unwind?

My partner, Leonard, and I are francophiles, which in my case manifests in striking up conversations with strangers every time I think I detect a French accent, and spending as much time as I can get away with in Paris. I am also obsessive about completing Mungo McCallum's cryptic crossword each week in the *Saturday Paper*.

Favourite book, or book you're currently reading (briefs don't count)?

I thought André Aciman's *Call Me By Your Name* was sublime.

If you weren't a barrister, what would you be?

Unemployed.

Overseas Readers at Victorian Bar

The Victorian Bar was delighted to welcome two overseas readers to its September Reader's Course - Mr Tauvasa Tanuvasa Choo-Lee from Papua New Guinea and Ms Mable Leong from Malaysia. The Victorian Bar welcomed them as part of its continuing commitment to advocacy training and assisting professional development in the Asia/Pacific region.

Tauvasa Tanuvasa Choo-Lee is the Deputy Solicitor General (State Defence) of PNG, and has been with the Office of the Solicitor General since 2006. He has worked on numerous mining and environmental issues in PNG. Tauvasa is a Council Member of the PNG Legal Training Institute Council and a Councillor with the PNG Law Society Council, and is also an accredited mediator.

Mable Leong is a Legal Associate with Liza Chan & Co in Malaysia. She works in the areas of employment law, competition law, and civil advisory work. She was Malaysia's Program Consultant in the American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative from 2015-2017. Mable also participated in 2016 in the Institute for Democracy and Economic - National Unity Youth Fellowship. Mable is the first Malaysian reader to undertake the Readers' Course and is sponsored by the International Commission of Jurists.



Tauvasa Tanuvasa Choo-Lee with mentor Philip Corbett QC, and Anne Hassan with her reader Mable Leong

The Victorian Bar actively shares its excellence in advocacy skills by conducting pro-bono workshops in the South Pacific region, and has recently conducted advocacy training and mentoring workshops in the Solomon Islands and in PNG.

In July the Victorian Bar delivered the 17th annual Civil and Criminal Advocacy Workshop and the 3rd Empowering Women/Mentoring in the Law Workshop for trainees at the Legal Training Institute in Port Moresby. This is part of an ongoing commitment of the Victorian Bar to legal education in PNG.

In May the Victorian Bar was invited to Honiara to deliver advocacy training to lawyers from the Public Solicitor's Office and the DPP. Practical training, mentoring and coaching was given on how to apply for an interim injunction, legal ethics, civil and criminal law. The highly

effective and intense training was very well received, especially by less experienced advocates and newly admitted lawyers, keen to improve their advocacy skills.

The Victorian Bar welcomes and invites opportunities to assist legal education and training in the Asia/Pacific region and remains committed to a proud tradition of pro bono assistance to legal education.

CIArb Dinner

The CIArb Australia Board and Management invite you to join members of the judiciary, business, media and global leaders of international dispute resolution for an unforgettable evening at the 2017 CIArb Australia Annual Dinner on Saturday 7 October in Sydney. The special guest speaker is President of the ICC International Court of Arbitration Alexis Mourre. The dinner is proudly sponsored by the Australian Bar Association and the independent bars. For more information, [click here](#).



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2017 TJMF Sydney Lecture



On Wednesday 25 October 2017, NSW Magistrate David Heilpern will deliver this year's Tristan Jepson Memorial Foundation (TJMF) annual lecture at the Federal Court in Sydney.

The topic for this year's lecture is: "Lifting the Judicial Veil: Vicarious Trauma, PTSD and the Judiciary: A Personal Story".

Magistrate Heilpern's distinguished career includes practising with the Australian Government Solicitor and private practice in criminal law in Northern NSW before being appointed a Magistrate in 1999. He undertook many high-profile test cases representing drug law reform and environmental groups.

Associate Professor of Psychiatry at Westmead Hospital Greg De Moore and Clinical Advisor at the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual

Abuse Julie Blythe will provide commentary following Magistrate Heilpern's address.

TJMF seeks to reduce disability and distress from mental ill health in the legal profession and promote psychologically healthy and safe workplaces.

For more information and to purchase tickets to the 2017 Annual TJMF Sydney Lecture, [click here](#).



2017 Tristan Jepson Memorial Foundation Sydney
Lecture speaker Magistrate David Heilpern

2018 ABA/NSW BAR CONFERENCE

The Australian Bar Association and the NSW Bar Association are looking forward to co-hosting the 2018 National Conference in November in Sydney. Please note this in your diary.

More information about speakers, topics and the dates in November will soon be sent to members.

ABA Annual General Meeting

The 2017 ABA annual general meeting (AGM) will be held on Saturday 18 November at New Chambers (126 Phillip St, Sydney NSW 2000) from 9.00am – 9.30am.

ABA MEMBER BENEFITS PROGRAM

The October 2017 edition of MBA Connect, the newsletter of the Australian Bar Association's member benefits program, is out now. It features great deals from Audi, BMW, JB HiFi, The Good Guys and more. Every month member offers are updated, so remember to check out the members section on the ABA website at www.austbar.asn.au/for-members/member-benefits

ICCA 2018 Arbitration Conference

On 15 -18 April 2018, Sydney will host the world's premier arbitration event – the 24th International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) Congress.



This is the first time that the Congress will be hosted in Australia; presenting an unprecedented opportunity for Australians to access these vast networks on home soil, and contribute to discussions that create soft law on many of arbitration's most controversial and pressing issues.

The keynote address will be delivered by James Crawford AC, SC, FBA, a leading Australian jurist and current Judge of the International Court of Justice. Other speakers are being announced periodically, and include leading academics and practitioners from around the world. High quality programming ensures that ICCA 2018 provides a unique CPD event for all dispute resolution professionals with an interest in alternative forms of dispute resolution.

The Congress will also include a vibrant and dynamic social calendar, beginning with an Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception at the Sydney Opera House on 15 April, ending with a Gala Dinner themed 'Under the Southern Stars' on 17 April. Early Bird registration rates will be open until 1 November 2017. You are also encouraged to secure your accommodation through the Congress secretariat to receive negotiated competitive rates. For more information on the conference programme, accommodation, social calendar and registration, please visit www.icca2018sydney.com

University of Georgia Law School Scholarships

The Dean Rusk International Law Center at the University of Georgia School of Law ("Georgia Law") is now accepting Master of Laws (LL.M.) applications from lawyers and judges, as well as recent law graduates, who have received their legal education outside of the 50 U.S. states.

A limited number of merit scholarships will be awarded on a rolling basis to highly qualified applicants. Applications can be made through the Law School Admissions Council (LSAC) website.

IBA 2017 Conference Sydney (8 – 13 October) SPECIAL OFFER

The International Bar Association (IBA) is offering members of the Bar a special 'Day Rate' for those wishing to attend its [2017 Conference in Sydney](#) (8 – 13 October) for only one day. Details of the rate are:

- A daily rate of £350 (excluding GST), £385 (including GST);
- This rate is for one day's attendance only – i.e. a delegate wanting to attend for two days or more still needs to buy the week's registration;
- There is no pre-registration – delegates arrive at the Conference and sign up on the day they're attending; and
- Daily delegates are also able to purchase tickets to social functions for that day, if they are available.

The conference has attracted more than 4,000 delegates from approximately 110 jurisdictions. Represented are prominent international law firms, multi-national corporations, governments and regulators. The six-day event brings together members of the international legal profession from across the globe to hear the latest thinking from legal luminaries on the most pressing issues of the day, to update each other on legal developments in their respective jurisdictions and exchange ideas and information.

The Conference is comprised of 200 substantive legal sessions, workshops and panels covering a plethora of topics, including: disruptive innovation; data; artificial intelligence; technology; LGBTI (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex); migration; international security; the rule of law and terrorism; climate change; anti-corruption; international transactions; mergers and acquisitions; and many more.

To see all Speakers and session times [click here for the full programme](#).

DATES FOR THE DIARY

7 October 2017

CIArb Australia Annual Dinner

Sydney, Australia

<https://www.ciarb.net.au/ciarbevents/2017-ciarb-australia-annual-dinner/>

8 – 13 October 2017

IBA Conference

Sydney, Australia

<https://www.ibanet.org/Conferences/Sydney2017.aspx>

15 – 17 November 2017

ACC Australia 2017 National Conference

Alice Springs, Australia

<https://acla.acc.com/national-conference-home>

18 November 2017

Australian Bar Council AGM

Sydney, Australia

<http://austbar.asn.au/events-calendar/details/2017-aba-annual-general-meeting>

21 November 2017

5th International Arbitration Conference

Perth, Australia

<https://amtac.org.au/event/5th-international-arbitration-conference-international-arbitration-in-a-changing-global-economy/>

22 - 26 January 2018

Advocacy Training Council Advanced Trial Advocacy Intensive

Sydney, Australia

<http://austbar.asn.au/advocacy-training/courses/advanced-trial-advocacy-january-2018>

29 – 31 March 2018

Biennial World Bar Conference

Stellenbosch, South Africa

<http://worldbarconferencesa.co.za/>

15 – 18 April 2018

24th International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ACCA) Congress

Sydney, Australia

<https://icca2018sydney.com/>

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