

2020/21 COMMITTEES

I am pleased to announce the membership lists for the Bar Association's 2020/21 committees (excluding professional conduct committees).

I am also pleased to announce that the Bar Council has approved the creation of a new Inquiries and Inquests Committee and Climate Change Law Panel, commencing in 2020-21. The Inquiries and Inquests Committee will be chaired by Kristina Stern SC, with Deputy Chair Peggy Dwyer. The Climate Change Law Panel will be convened by Ruth Higgins SC. These new advisory bodies will play an important role in providing policy advice on emerging issues of critical importance to the Bar, the justice system and our community.

The 2020/21 committees formally come into effect from Monday 20 July and Bar Association staff will be in contact with chairs and committee members shortly to settle the details.

We have received an overwhelming number of offers from members to assist in the work of the committees. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to serve, it is appreciated.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to take up everyone's offer at this time. During the year the Bar Council invariably needs the assistance of members on a wide range of matters beyond the scope of committees' jurisdictions and we hope to be able to call on those who have volunteered, but who at this time we have been unable to place on a committee, throughout 2020/21.

It is critical that committee membership reflects as wide a cross-section of the Bar, and the community we serve, as possible. In accordance with the Association's Guidelines for Committee Tenure and Governance, it is also important for there to be some regular turnover in committee membership. To accommodate the interests of as many members as possible, and to maximise the opportunities available to members, as a general rule, no applicant will sit on more than two committees. The new committees have been chosen with these considerations in mind.

I would like to thank all chairs, committee members and Bar Association staff for their service and contribution in 2019-20.

I would especially like to thank those members who are not continuing on a committee this year for their tireless assistance in previous years. It is a reflection of the highest standards and best spirit of our Bar that so many members continue to offer to serve on committees.

Tim Game SC
President

15 July 2020

ACCESSIBILITY PANEL

- Robert Dubler SC (Chair)
- Kate Eastman SC
- Valerie Heath
- Craig Everson
- Tina Jowett
- Sean Docker
- Angela Petrie
- Brenda Tronson
- Nipa Dewan
- Matthew Cobb-Clark
- Jeh Coutinho (Clerk)

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION COMMITTEE

- Mary Walker (Chair)
- Hon Stephen O’Ryan QC
- Stephen Walsh QC
- John Fernon SC
- Gregory Burton SC
- Neil Jackson
- Tom Davie
- Michael Dawson
- Jodi Steele
- Craig Carter
- Charles Colquhoun
- Vanessa Thomas
- Rita Lahoud
- Joshua Grew
- Mary Rebehy
- Wilson Chan
- Adele Carr
- Jesse Kennedy
- Navid Sedaghati

BAR NEWS COMMITTEE

- Ingmar Taylor SC
- Gail Furness SC
- Anthony Cheshire SC
- Farid Assaf SC
- Dominic Villa SC
- Elizabeth Raper SC
- Douglas McDonald-Norman
- Penny Thew
- Sean O’Brien
- Kavita Balendra

- Daniel Tynan
- Daniel Klineberg
- Catherine Gleeson
- Victoria Brigden
- Kevin Tang
- Ann Bonnor
- Belinda Baker
- Stephen Ryan
- Christina Trahanas
- Naomi Wootton

CLIMATE CHANGE LAW PANEL

- Ruth Higgins SC (Convener)
- Bret Walker SC
- Noel Hutley SC
- Tim Game SC
- Sarah Pritchard SC
- Richard Lancaster SC
- Sebastian Hartford Davis
- Kate Lindeman
- Janet McKelvey
- Natasha Hammond
- James Mack
- Michele Kearns (Clerk)

COMMON LAW COMMITTEE

- Robert Sheldon SC (Chair)
- Elizabeth Welsh (Deputy Chair)
- Tony Bartley SC
- Simon Harben SC
- Nicholas Chen SC
- Paresh Khandar SC
- David Talintyre
- Andrew Combe
- Maria Gerace
- Eva Elbourne
- Kavita Balendra
- Ross Stanton
- Kayt Hogan

COSTS & FEES COMMITTEE

- Mark Walsh SC (Chair)
- Michael Eagle
- Philippe Doyle Gray
- Janet McDonald
- Michelle Castle
- David Stewart
- Luke Fermanis
- Katherine Oldfield
- Emma Beechey
- Matt Karam
- Michael Wells
- David Smith

CRIMINAL LAW COMMITTEE

- Stephen Odgers SC (Co-Chair)
- Gabrielle Bashir SC (Co-Chair)
- John Stratton SC
- Matt Johnston SC
- Richard Wilson SC
- Frank Veltro
- Kieran Ginges
- Nathan Steel
- Lester Fernandez
- Kellie Stares
- Pauline David
- Paul Coady
- Helen Roberts
- Duncan Brakell
- Ben Bickford
- Elizabeth McLaughlin
- Nerissa Keay
- Christopher Parkin
- Rose Khalilzadeh
- Georgina Westgarth
- Linda Barnes
- *Academic member*
- Nicholas Cowdery QC (UNSW)

DIVERSITY AND EQUALITY COMMITTEE

- Kate Eastman SC (Chair)
- Melissa Fisher (Deputy Chair)
- Robert Lethbridge SC
- Robert Dubler SC
- Miles Condon SC
- Brenda Tronson
- Melanie Cairns
- Renee Bianchi
- Nipa Dewan
- Stephen Tully
- Sarah Warren
- Tarik Abdulhak
- Sonia Tame
- Uche Okereke-Fisher
- Jeh Coutinho (Clerk)

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

- Robert Hollo SC (Chair)
- Sally Dowling SC
- Patrick Griffin SC
- Ed Muston SC
- Michael Izzo SC
- Tiffany Wong SC
- Philip Hogan
- Sean Docker
- Gillian Mahony
- Lester Fernandez
- Sharyn Hall
- Peter Maddigan
- Imtiaz Ahmed
- Callan O'Neill
- Perry Herzfeld
- Louise Hulmes
- Alison Hammond
- *Academic member*
- Professor Alex Steele (UNSW)

FAMILY LAW COMMITTEE

- Michael Kearney SC (Chair)
- Hon Stephen O’Ryan QC
- Peter Cummings SC
- Suzanne Christie SC
- Mark Anderson
- Christopher Lawrence
- Michael Weightman
- John Longworth
- Mary Rebehy
- Claire Cantrall
- Sarwa Abdelraheem

FIRST NATIONS COMMITTEE

- Anthony McAvoy SC (Chair)
- Andrew Smith (Deputy Chair)
- Chris Ronalds AO SC
- Janet Manuell SC
- Eric Wilson SC
- Susan Phillips
- Simeon Beckett
- Nicholas Newton
- Louise Goodchild
- Paul Bolster
- Natasha Case
- Charles Gregory
- Damian Beaufile
- Sian McGee

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

- Naomi Sharp SC (Co-Chair)
- Simeon Beckett (Co-Chair)
- Craig Lenahan SC
- Douglas MacDonald Norman
- Miiko Kumar
- Kate Barrett
- Louise Goodchild
- Trent Glover
- Bora Kaplan
- Carmel Lee
- Rob Davies
- Charles Gregory
- Corrie Goodhand
- Madeleine Bridgett
- Celia Winnett

Academic member

- Daniel Joyce (UNSW)
- Andrew Byrne (UNSW)

INDUSTRIAL, EMPLOYMENT, HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

- Bruce Hodgkinson AM SC (Chair)
- Yaseen Shariff (Deputy Chair)
- John Fernon SC
- Ian Neil SC
- Elizabeth Raper SC
- Ian Latham
- Anthony Britt
- Andrew Gotting
- Bruce Miles
- Jamie Darams
- Anna Perigo
- Bilal Rauf
- Maurice Baroni

INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

- Michael Green SC (Chair)
 - Angela Bowne SC
 - Greg Waugh SC
 - Tamir Maltz
 - Ben Kremer
 - Beth Oliak
 - Therese Catanzariti
 - Anton Hughes
 - Ben Mee
 - Richard Scheelings
 - Wen Wu
 - Savitha Swami
 - Daniel Meyerowitz-Katz
 - Jordan Widjaja
 - Jackie Charles (Clerk)
- Academic member*
- Carolyn McKay (USYD)

INQUESTS & INQUIRIES COMMITTEE

- Kristina Stern SC (Chair)
- Peggy Dwyer (Deputy Chair)
- Adam Casselden SC
- Lesley Whalan SC
- Donna Ward
- Sophie Callan
- Georgina Wright
- David Lloyd
- Kirsten Edwards
- Rob Ranken
- Joanna Davidson
- Nick Kelly
- Callan O'Neill
- Jake Harris
- Emma Sullivan

LEGAL AID COMMITTEE

- Dean Jordan SC (Chair)
- Craig Smith SC (Deputy Chair)
- Alex Radojev
- James Trevallion
- Emily Ito
- David Price
- Christopher Lawrence
- Kellie Stares
- Jane Paingakulam
- Scott Fraser
- Emmanuel Kerkyasharian
- Duncan Brakell
- Michelle Swift
- Clyllyn Sperling
- Jeffrey Clarke
- Nerissa Keay
- Robert Armitage
- Rose Khalilizadeh
- Talia Epstein
- Thomas Liu

NEW BARRISTERS COMMITTEE

- Georgina Westgarth (Chair)
- Corrie Goodhand
- Stephen Ryan
- Emily Graham
- Wen Wu
- Karen Petch
- Eliot Olivier
- Brendan Jones
- Elizabeth Esber
- Nicholas Bentley
- Tomislav Bicanic
- Ryan Coffey
- Alison Hammond
- Jordan Widjaja
- Megan Caristo
- Anna Moule (Clerk)

PRACTICE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

- Ian Hemmings SC (Chair)
- Michelle Painter SC
- David Thomas SC
- Tom Brennan
- Christopher Peadon
- Robert Carey
- Philip Wallis
- Renee Bianchi
- Geoff Farland
- Sonia Stewart
- Michele Kearns (Clerk)
- Paul Walker (Clerk)

WELLBEING COMMITTEE

- Kylie Nomchong SC (Chair)
- Michelle Painter SC
- Peter McGrath SC
- Luigi Lungo
- Daid Sibtain
- Mark Sneddon
- Matthew Hutchings
- Kate Ratcliffe
- Turvey To
- Cynthia Cochrane
- Kellie Edwards
- Tim Castle
- Geoff Farland
- Ben Mee
- Savitha Swami
- Sarah McCarthy