



Dear alumni and friends,

Greetings from Auckland Law School.

I am pleased to bring you the second issue of *The Dean's Newsletter*, which complements the annual magazine, *Eden Crescent*, by highlighting recent news and forthcoming events.

I have very much enjoyed my first two months as Dean here. I had a good chance to talk and meet with all staff before the students arrived back for the start of the new academic year. Since then the life of the Law School has been as busy as always. Some of our recent activities are highlighted below. I have enjoyed talking with alumni at a range of events and look forward to meeting as many of you as possible during the next few years.

With very best wishes.

Andrew Stockley
Dean

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STUDENT NEWS

Auckland mooters reach world top ten



This is the fourth year running that Auckland has represented New Zealand at the Jessup International Law Mooting Competition, after winning the national mooting championships.

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Sentencing advocacy success

Events

- **18 April**
Public lecture by Professor Nicholas Aroney (University of Queensland): 'The tale of two houses: Does MMP mean we don't need an upper house?'

Video



Professor David Williams on the new foreshore and seabed legislation

Professor David Williams was interviewed on TVNZ's 'Breakfast Show' on the proposed new legislation to replace the Foreshore and Seabed Act. This has now been enacted as the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011.



Justice Blanchard on Distinguished Alumni Panel: 'What's on your Bucket List?'

Sir Peter Blanchard



Auckland Law students James Ruddell and Helen Brown were awarded first and second places in this year's Sentencing Advocacy competition.

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2011 Harnos Horton Lusk Scholar



The \$10,000 Harnos Horton Lusk Scholarship in Commercial Law 2011 has been awarded to one of the Law School's outstanding students, Carl Li.

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Celebration of the Auckland University Law Review



The Law Review held a Contributors' Symposium and Alumni Dinner in October to celebrate the achievements of the journal, which comprises student work and is edited by students. The Symposium was chaired by the Chief Justice, Dame Sian Elias.

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The 2010 edition of the Auckland University Law Review was published in November, featuring 10 articles and 8 commentaries, all written and edited by students.

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FACULTY NEWS

Plaudits for outgoing Dean

joins the five other recipients of the 2011 Distinguished Alumni Awards to talk about 'what's on your bucket list?'



Distinguished Alumnus Sir Peter Blanchard on 'Justice and Law Reform'

Justice Blanchard's public lecture on 'Judging and Law Reform', given the day after receiving his Distinguished Alumni Award. He proposes a separate parliamentary process for law reform measures.

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Professor Paul Rishworth was praised for his contribution as Dean of the Auckland Law School from 2005 to 2010 at a function held to mark the end of his five-year term.

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Returning from Scotland as law professor



Professor Janet McLean, who specialises in constitutional and administrative law, is returning to the Auckland Law School after five years as Professor of Law and Governance at the University of Dundee.

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ALUMNI NEWS

Sir Peter Blanchard receives Distinguished Alumni Award



Sir Peter Blanchard, a judge of the Supreme Court since it was established in 2004, was one of six recipients of a 2011 University Distinguished Alumni Award.

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Sir Peter gave a public lecture on 'Judging and Law Reform' the day after receiving his Distinguished Alumni Award, at which he advocated a separate parliamentary process for law reform measures.

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Christian Whata appointed High Court Judge



Christian Whata (Ngati Pikiao) was sworn in as a High Court Judge last month.

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LLM graduate in Tanzanian Cabinet



Mahadhi Juma Maalim, an LLM graduate, has become Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Development in Tanzania.

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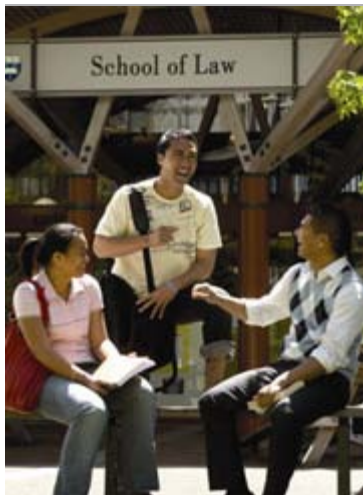
Mayor of Auckland visits Law School



Len Brown, the Mayor of Auckland and an alumnus of the Law School, called by for morning tea with the staff in late March.

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Successful Annual Giving Appeal



Law School alumni gave generously to the 2010 Annual Giving Appeal. This will help the Law School with a range of projects, particularly the offering of postgraduate scholarships.

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Class of 1970 Reunion



Hosted by the Governor General, Sir Anand Satyanand, the Class of 1970 had an extremely enjoyable reunion at Government House in Auckland. John Haigh Q.C. reports.

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EVENTS AND VISITORS

New Zealand Bill of Rights Seminar



The Law School held a seminar, chaired by Justice John McGrath from the Supreme Court, to mark the 20th anniversary of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act in September.

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Professor Albin Eser speaks on human rights guarantees in criminal law



Professor Eser, a former state court judge in Germany and an ad item judge on the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia, gave a public lecture on human rights guarantees in criminal law and procedures from a European prospective.

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Professor Carol Rose to be Cameron Visiting Fellow for 2011



The second Cameron Fellow will be Professor Carol M. Rose, of the University of Arizona, a leading authority on individual property rights. She will be at the Law School from 20 July to 10 August this year.

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Visit by Public Law Scholar from Cambridge



Dr Mark Elliott was hosted by the Auckland Law School for several weeks during the first semester. He is this year's Legal Research Foundation's Visiting Scholar.

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Conference on Judicial Review



The Law Faculty was heavily involved in the Legal Research Foundation's conference on judicial review in commercial cases, held in Auckland in early April.

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Other news and events at the Faculty of Law

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