
This edition features:

- profiles of three sets of parent–child *Review* alumni;
- photos from the *Review*’s 2012 Annual Dinner; and
- a report on the *Review*’s online presence.

We hope you enjoy this edition of the Newsletter. Contributions by alumni for subsequent editions of this Newsletter are warmly welcomed. We also welcome feedback on this Newsletter and alumni events.

**About the Alumni Association**

Established in 2001, the Alumni Association’s principal functions are to maintain a database of alumni contact details, publish this Newsletter and host a biennial alumni social event. All former Members of the *Review* (collectively almost 900 people) are automatically Members of the Alumni Association.

**Keeping in Touch with the Review**

If you would like to update your contact details, please get in touch with us using the mailing address or email address below.

In addition, if you are aware of any former Members who have not received a copy of this Newsletter, please advise us of their contact details (with their permission) or encourage them to contact us directly.

**Upcoming Alumni Events in 2013**

The *Review* will be holding an Alumni Cocktail Evening in 2013. Invitations will be sent out in the first half of the year. To ensure that you receive your invitation, please get in touch with us to update your contact details.

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*Front Row: The 2012 Editors (Christopher Loo, Natalie Burgess and Thomas Bland)  
Back Row: The 2013 Editors (Sasha Ponniah, Cindy Bors and Thomas Wood)*
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EDITORS’ REPORT

This year the Review comprised 65 Members, including 33 General Members, 13 Section Editors and Assistant Editors, 14 Non-Editorial Members and three Editors. The Review also has three Faculty Advisers — Professor Jenny Morgan (in her sixth year), Associate Professor Matthew Harding (who joined us in 2011) and Professor Ian Malkin who rejoined us in 2012 (for his 12th year in the role). We are particularly grateful to Associate Professor David Brennan, who resigned as Faculty Adviser at the end of 2011 after six years in the role.

The Review was saddened by the passing of Sir Zelman Cowen on 8 December 2011. Sir Zelman was founder of the Review in its modern form and continued to attend Review events and support its activities into his 90s. The final issue of volume 35 includes a tribute to Sir Zelman by 2011 Editors David Foster, Timothy Lau and Julia Wang, and the Review’s 2012 Annual Dinner, held on 11 October at The Chapter House, was dedicated to celebrating the life of Sir Zelman.

In 2012 we undertook a number of major projects, including a change to the design of the Review. The redesign, implemented from the first issue of volume 36, aims to improve the readability of the text as well as to update the overall visual presentation of the Review. The new design incorporates a new typeface, more generous line spacing and improvements to the general layout of the text and footnotes. The masthead on the cover has also been updated. We are confident that these changes will better honour the content of the Review and the editorial work that is associated with it.

On an administrative level, we were obliged to move offices at the beginning of the year, which required significant assistance from our Members. We are very grateful for their willingness to come in to the Law School during their summer holidays to assist with the move. We have also made efforts to increase and improve our online presence. We have launched a refreshed website, which will continue to be improved in 2013, and we have engaged in heightened activity on Facebook and established Twitter accounts for the Review and the Australian Guide to Legal Citation. We encourage our alumni who use these social networks to keep in touch via these accounts.

Another key focus this year has been to maintain the strong collegiate atmosphere of the Review fostered by previous editorial teams, so that the Review continues to be a place where Members form lasting friendships. We held regular social events throughout the year including Members’ dinners, informal lunches in the office, and the very popular joint trivia night held with our friends at the Melbourne Journal of International Law, which fast is becoming a fixture on our social calendar. Our 2012 calendar of events also included our annual Sponsors’ Cocktail Party at Mr Mason, where Review Members mingled with representatives from our four sponsor firms: Allens, Arnold Bloch Leibler, Herbert Smith Freehills and King & Wood Mallesons.

Issues 1 and 2 of volume 36 of the Review have been published and can be viewed online at our website (http://www.law.unimelb.edu.au/mulr). We are proud of the diversity of the articles we have published, with constitutional law, employment law and criminal law featuring prominently in this year’s volume. Editorial work for the third and final issue for volume 36 is underway and this issue will be published online in March 2013.

We wish to thank the Members of the Review for all their hard work in 2012 and extend our gratitude to the Faculty Advisers for providing invaluable advice and reassurance throughout the year. We wish everyone all the best for 2013!
The Review’s 55th Annual Dinner was held at Chapter House on 11 October 2012. The focus of this year’s Annual Dinner was a celebration of the life of Sir Zelman Cowen AK GCMG GCVO QC (7 October 1919 – 8 December 2011), who was instrumental in the establishment of the Review in its modern form.

We were honoured to have in attendance several members of the Cowen family: Lady Anna Cowen, Ben Cowen and Israel Cowen. The Dinner was addressed by two prominent legal figures and personal friends of Sir Zelman — Mark Leibler AC and Professor Michael Crommelin AO. Both spoke warmly of their personal connections to Sir Zelman and of the immense contributions Sir Zelman made to the law and to the community. A copy of Mark Leibler’s address can be viewed at http://www.abl.com.au/ablattach/mlspeechmulr111012.pdf.

There were over 100 guests at the Dinner, including authors and referees of articles published in the past year; representatives of our four sponsor firms (Allens, Arnold Bloch Leibler, Herbert Smith Freehills and King & Wood Mallesons); current Members of the Review; the Review’s Faculty Advisers; friends of the Review; and Melbourne Law School staff.
Above (L–R): Michael Chen (GM), Terry Dao (Ass Ed), Ellen Adianto (GM), Gary Zhang (GM)
Below (L–R): Heather Douglas (Ass Ed), Victoria Draudins (GM), Katerina Stevenson (Ass Ed)

Left (L–R): Thomas Bland (Editor), Professor Michael Crommelin AO, Natalie Burgess (Editor), Chris Loo (Editor), Ros Crommelin, Mark Leibler AC, Rosanna Leibler, the Hon Donnell Ryan QC
Above: Keynote speaker, Mark Leibler AC
Below: Faculty speaker, Professor Michael Crommelin AO
Above: The Editors with Lady Anna Cowen and Ben Cowen
Below left: The 2013 Editors (Thomas Wood, Cindy Bors and Sasha Ponniah)
Below right: Anna Eleftheriadis (Publications Manager), Max Rowe (Business Manager), Alexandra Tran (2011 Business Manager)
Parent–Child Profile

JACK O’CONNOR & TERENCE O’CONNOR

Terence was a General Member on the Review between 1967 and 1969; his son Jack was a General Member in 2009 and an Assistant Editor in 2010.

Terence was for many years a partner of Molomby & Molomby, one of the predecessor firms to K & L Gates. He also lectured part-time at the former RMIT Council of Legal Education Course and tutored at Newman College. Terence is now semi-retired; currently his main professional interest is as the Deputy Chairman of the RAD Board. Terence has also been Chairman of the statutory Bookmakers and Bookmakers’ Clerks Registration Committee.

After completing his law degree, Jack undertook his practical legal training with Thomsons Lawyers. He is currently the Associate to Justice Mark Weinberg of the Victorian Court of Appeal (who is also profiled below).

What is your fondest memory of the Review?

Terence: The highlight of Review membership was always the Annual Dinner, which was strongly supported by the Victorian judiciary and the profession generally.

Jack: The Annual Dinner was of course a highlight, but I also fondly remember the late nights in the Review office spent looking over articles and searching for AGLC errors (even though I am sure I did not always enjoy it at the time). I also enjoyed discussions with other Review members about where to track down particularly elusive sources!

How has the Review changed since the time when Terence was a Member?

Terence: First, in my time all Members were expected to contribute a Case Note or Book Review, the point being that the Review was in part a showcase of student scholarship. The second change I have noticed follows from the first. The Review back then was also a showcase of the quality of our Law School academic staff. Hence most of the material published had a direct link with the Law School — the Review then was very much a Melbourne Law School production.

Jack: The position of Assistant Editor seems to be an innovation since my dad’s time on the Review. It is also notable that, since the publication of the AGLC, the Review is now the authority on legal citation in Australia. When my dad was on the Review the practice was to follow the style adopted by other journals.

Terence: We lacked the assistance of the AGLC so just tended to follow the style of the Law Quarterly Review or Modern Law Review. The growth of legal publications and case law at the time led our faculty adviser to despair as we struggled to get citations correct.

Jack, did your dad have any influence on your decision to join the Review?

Jack: Although I think I would have joined even if there had been no family connection, hearing my dad speak about his time on the Review did reassure me that I had made the right decision. Particularly, my dad’s experience proved that the skills learned from working on the Review would prove useful in my legal career.
Joseph was a General Member in 1970 and the Student Contributions Editor in 1971; his son Jerome (not profiled) was a General Member between 1998 and 2001; and his daughter Helen was a General Member in 2011 and is currently an Assistant Editor.

Joseph studied at University College Oxford between 1973 and 1977, undertaking a BCL and then a thesis on Australian constitutional law, the latter supervised by Professors John Finnis and D P O’Connell. For several years, Joseph was a member of the Faculty of Law at the University of Melbourne, teaching both at the undergraduate level and in the LLM. Joseph was called to the Victorian Bar in 1978 and was appointed Queen’s Counsel in 1994. He practises in equity.

Helen is about to commence the third and final year of her Juris Doctor degree. In addition to her participation in the Review, Helen was also the Women’s Officer for the Melbourne University Law Students’ Society.

What is your fondest memory of the Review?

**Joseph:** Members were invited to dine with judges who visited the Law School. I remember dining with Lord Gardiner LC who was responsible for the Practice Direction (*Practice Statement (Judicial Precedent)* [1966] 1 WLR 1234) that the House of Lords would no longer treat itself as bound by its own decisions; and Bora Laskin, who was the Chief Justice of Canada. Sir Douglas Menzies told me at one dinner that he knew more decisions when he left the Law School than he ever did thereafter.

I also remember other members of the Editorial Board. David Habersberger and Katharine Williams (Gorman) are now judges on the Supreme Court. Ross Macaw QC, Neil Young QC and Lesley Glick SC are at the Bar. (Macaw had a great university career: triple first and triple blue! He kept wicket for the University and was centre half-back in the IV team.) Colin Galbraith was a solicitor, and now works for an investment bank. Harry Boon and Harry Cooper have had successful careers in business. Tony Duggan (Toronto) and Arie Freiberg (Monash) have both been Deans of Law Faculties. My good friend was Roger Uren. He became a diplomat and has been a distinguished sinologist.

[Less fondly,] my particular memory is that editing and checking footnotes were a chore. I did not enjoy it; but it gave me a sense of the precision required of lawyers.

**Helen:** The 2011 Annual Dinner was a highlight (unfortunately I wasn’t able to attend this year’s Dinner). Apart from that I have really enjoyed meeting people and the conversations I have had in the Review office — the Review has provided me with the opportunity to interact with students in different year levels, many of whom have had a big impact on decisions I have made regarding my studies.

How has the Review changed since the time when Joseph was a Member?

**Joseph:** The Editorial Board then was smaller than it is now.

**Helen:** The Review used to only have two issues per year; it now has three issues per year.

Helen, did your dad have any influence on your decision to join the Review?

**Helen:** Both dad and my brother Jerome encouraged me to apply for a position on the Review. They said it would be a great way to meet a diverse group of people who were interested in the law beyond what they learnt in lectures.
Justice Weinberg was Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Review during his time as Dean of the Law School (1984–85); his daughter Ingrid was a General Member between 2009 and 2010, and one of the Alumni Association Coordinators in 2011.

After his Deanship, Justice Weinberg was called to the Victorian Bar and was appointed Queen’s Counsel in 1986. He was the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions between 1988 and 1991, and a judge of the Federal Court of Australia between 1998 and 2008. Since 2008, he has been a judge of the Victorian Court of Appeal.

Since graduating from Law School, Ingrid has commenced a traineeship with King & Wood Mallesons. She has also travelled extensively, including recent trips to Italy and Israel.

What is your fondest memory of the Review?

Justice Weinberg: It is difficult to answer this question as it was so long ago, but I enjoyed my involvement with the student editors and my time as Chairman of the Executive Committee.

Ingrid: My fondest memory is the many, many hours spent perfecting the Alumni Cocktail Evening for 2011 with Kathryn Tomasic and learning the differences between suitable and unsuitable lighting and canapés.

How has the Review changed since the time when Justice Weinberg was a Member?

Justice Weinberg: The quality of the articles published has, in my view, greatly improved. In part, this is due to the extraordinary efforts of the more recent Review Members who are not only very thorough in their checking of footnotes etc, but also helpful in their suggestions for more effective communication.

Ingrid: I think the publication of the AGLC has probably made editing a whole lot easier.

Ingrid, did your dad have any influence on your decision to join the Review?

Ingrid: Yes, my father always wanted me to join the Review and I regret that it took me until my third year of Law School to get around to it.

Justice Weinberg: Yes, I encouraged Ingrid to become involved in the Review — I had myself been on the Editorial Board of the Monash Law Review when I was a law student, and I gained great benefit from having done so.
THE REVIEW’S ONLINE PRESENCE

This year, we have expanded the Review’s online presence. By doing so, we hope to facilitate access to the Review’s articles, increase the Review’s profile, and make it easier for alumni and members of the legal community to keep up-to-date with the Review’s activities.

Open Access Policy

The Review supports open access. The Review has for a number of years published recent articles free of charge on our website (see http://law.unimelb.edu.au/mulr/issues/previous-issues). Further, since mid-2012, all back issues of the Review have been available on AustLII in searchable PDF format (see http://www.austlii.edu.au/journals/MelbULawRw/). The availability of these facsimile PDFs should greatly increase ease of access to older Review articles.

The Review on Facebook

The Review established a Facebook page in 2011, and the page has been steadily gaining followers in 2012. We use the page to share photos of Review events (eg Annual Dinner) and to post Review-related news. If you have a Facebook account, we encourage you to visit our page by searching for ‘Melbourne University Law Review’ or by using the link https://www.facebook.com/pages/Melbourne-University-Law-Review/251396944878968.

The Review on Twitter

The Review has also started a Twitter account (@MelbULRev), which tweets Review-related news.

In addition, the Australian Guide to Legal Citation has its own Twitter account (@AGLCTweets), which provides AGLC citation tips and responds to citation queries. @AGLCTweets has proved very popular, gaining over 200 followers in its first week.
**Submissions to the Review**

Submissions for Volume 37 Number 2 (2013) are now open and will close on 30 April 2013.

Past Members are warmly invited to submit academic articles, case notes or book reviews for consideration for publication in the *Review*. Information regarding submission dates and processes, as well as the *Review*’s Publication Policy, can be accessed on our website. Alternatively, past Members should feel free to contact the *Review* directly for further information.

**Accessing the Review**

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