

The Supreme Court of Victoria Commercial Law Conference



Current Issues in Commercial Law

Date	Thursday 13 October 2016
Venue	Banco Court, Supreme Court of Victoria 210 William St, Melbourne
Time	2:30pm – 5:00pm
Cost	\$220 (inc GST)

- 2:30pm Welcome
to The Hon Justice Marilyn Warren AC, Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Victoria, and
2:45pm Professor Matthew Harding, Deputy Dean, Melbourne Law School
- 2:45pm **“From oligarchs to insider traders – does commercial litigation tick the boxes?”**
to Speaker: The Rt Hon Lady Justice Elizabeth Gloster DBE, Court of Appeal England & Wales
3:30pm Commentator: Mr Philip Crutchfield QC, Barrister
Chair: The Hon Justice John Digby
- 3:30pm **“Contractual ambiguity: an answer in search of a question?”**
to Speaker: The Hon Justice Ruth McColl AO, Supreme Court of New South Wales Court of Appeal
4:15pm Commentator: Mr David O’Callaghan QC, Barrister
Chair: The Hon Justice Maree Kennedy
- 4:15pm **“The resurgence of litigation in international commercial disputes”**
to Speaker: Professor Richard Garnett, Melbourne Law School
5:00pm Commentator: Ms Helen Tiplady, Barrister
Chair: Professor Ian Ramsay
- 5:00pm Refreshments in the Supreme Court Library

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Session 1

The Right Hon Dame Elizabeth Gloster DBE PC, was appointed a Lady Justice of Appeal, and consequently appointed to the Privy Council, on 9 April 2013. Dame Elizabeth was called to the Bar by the Inner Temple in 1971; in 1989 she was appointed a Queen's Counsel and made a Bencher of the Inner Temple in 1992. In 1993 she was appointed a judge of the Courts of Appeal of Jersey and Guernsey. On 21 April 2004, she was appointed a High Court judge of the Queen's Bench Division, the first female judge to be assigned to the Commercial Court. On appointment she received the customary appointment as a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire (DBE). From 2010-12 Dame Elizabeth served as Judge in Charge of the Commercial Court. At the Bar she specialised in high profile commercial and insolvency cases; these included acting for the Department of Trade and Industry in the disqualifications of the directors of Barings Bank and acting for the Serious Fraud Office in the prosecutions arising out of the Guinness scandal.

Session 2

The Hon Justice Ruth McColl AO was appointed a Judge of Appeal to the Supreme Court of New South Wales Court of Appeal in 2003. Her Honour was the President of the Judicial Conference of Australia from 2008 to 2010. After graduating with a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws from the University of Sydney in 1975, her Honour worked as a solicitor in the New South Wales Crown Solicitor's Office from 1976-80. In 1980, her Honour was admitted to the New South Wales Bar and was appointed Senior Counsel in 1994. From 1999-2001, her Honour was President of the New South Wales Bar Association, the first woman to serve in that position and from 2001-02, her Honour was President of the Australian Bar Association. Her Honour has also served as Vice-President of Australian Women Lawyers (1996-99) and President of New South Wales Women Lawyers (1996-1997). She has been a part-time Commissioner of the New South Wales Law Reform Commission, President of the Public Interest Law Clearing House (1999-2002), Assistant Commissioner of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (1998-2000), and Counsel assisting the Coroner in relation to the inquest into the 1997 Thredbo landslide. In 2004, her Honour was made an Officer of the Order of Australia for service to the law, to continuing professional development and education, particularly for women, and to the community in matters affecting Indigenous groups and youth.

Session 3

Professor Richard Garnett has an LLM from Harvard University where he was a Lionel Murphy and Fulbright scholar. He is Professor of Private International Law at the University of Melbourne and a consultant to Herbert Smith Freehills. Professor Garnett regularly advises on cross-border litigation and arbitration matters and has appeared as advocate before a number of tribunals including the High Court of Australia. Professor Garnett has written extensively in the fields of private international law, international disputes and arbitration, with his work cited by leading tribunals around the world, including the International Court of Justice, the European Court of Human Rights, the English Court of Appeal, United States federal district courts, the Singapore Court of Appeal and Israeli and Australian superior courts. In 2012 Professor Garnett published the book *Substance and Procedure in Private International Law* in the prestigious Oxford Private International Law Series, which is the first major work on the subject in English.

Since 2004, Professor Garnett has served as expert member of the Australian Government delegation to the Hague Conference on Private International Law, in negotiating the Hague Convention on Choice of Court Agreements and most recently the Draft Convention on Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments. Professor Garnett has also been an Adviser to the American Law Institute in its project on transnational intellectual property adjudication, Co-Rapporteur on the International Law Association project on transnational group actions and a Director of the Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration. He is an elected member of the American Law Institute and a fellow of the Australian Academy of Law.

Registration details

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Admission cost

\$220 (incl. GST)

Registrations close

5:00pm on Monday, 10 October 2016

Payment

Payment may be made online - [CLICK HERE](#)

Refunds

Tickets are fully refundable until 5 pm Monday 10 October 2016.

After that date, refunds will not be permitted but tickets are transferable.

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