

## NEWSLETTER October Edition

Upcoming seminars – Social gathering – Elections – Annual Dinner



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## END OF YEAR EVENTS

Our weekly seminar program continues with CLE seminars every Thursday until 12 November and a new venue – **99 York Street** – for our final 2 seminars on 5 & 12 November.

### FOR THE DIARY

- 29 October – CLE: Damages in Discrimination Law
- 5 November – CLE: Occupational Health & Safety
- 5 November – after seminar drinks and canapés
- 12 November – CLE: Effective Mediation
- 19 November – AGM
- 19 November – Annual Dinner

### UPCOMING EVENT - ANNUAL DINNER

#### GUEST SPEAKER: BRET WALKER SC

The City of Sydney Law Society's Annual Dinner will be held on **Thursday 19 November 2015**, from 6:30pm.

**VENUE:** Cello's Restaurant

The Castlereagh Boutique Hotel  
169 Castlereagh Street, Sydney

**COST:** CSLS Members: \$95pp Non-Members & Guests: \$100pp

**Bookings:** <http://www.sydneycitylawyers.com.au/social-events-bookings/>

**Enquiries:** Ann Parisi, CSLS Executive Officer - Telephone: 9266 0012

Email: [info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au](mailto:info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au)

**RSVP by Friday 13 November. Book early. Limited numbers.**

The CSLS Annual General Meeting will be held immediately beforehand.  
Further details are available in this Newsletter.

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### 25 YEARS - CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

We are offering members of the City of Sydney Law Society who have practiced law for at least 25 years, a certificate of recognition for their service to the profession.

If you are eligible and would like to receive a certificate then please contact our Executive Officer, Ann Parisi on [info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au](mailto:info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au) by **11 November 2015** .

Please note we must receive your written application for this certificate prior to the cut-off date, otherwise a certificate will not be issued to you.

Certificates will be formally presented at the Annual Dinner to those who attend. Otherwise, they will be posted out afterwards.

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### **AFTER SEMINAR DRINKS – NEW VENUE**

We are continuing with the popular after seminar drinks. The next one of these events will be:

5 November 2015  
after the Occupational Health & Safety seminar

Venue: Public Bar Area  
'The York', 99 York Street, Sydney  
(formerly the NSW Bowlers Club)

Attendance is free to members. It is important to register for the seminar to assist arrangements.

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### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)**

#### **THURSDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2015 at 5:30PM**

Nominations are called for 20 members to be elected as members of the City of Sydney Law Society Committee for the 2015-2016, to be elected at the Annual General Meeting pursuant to Rule 16.

Nominations must be signed by two Society members and by the nominee, indicating consent.

To be eligible for election the nomination form must be received by the Secretary at the address below not later than 5:00pm on Wednesday 11 November 2015. (Rule 16)

#### **ADDRESS FOR LODGING OF NOMINATIONS (to be received by 5:00pm on 11 November 2015):**

**By post:** City of Sydney Law Society, GPO Box 1907 Sydney NSW 2001

**By hand delivery:** C/- Ann Parisi, Level 10, 299 Elizabeth St, Sydney

**By email:** [info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au](mailto:info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au)

**By fax:** 02 9266 0062

If insufficient nominations are received to fill all vacancies on the committee, the candidates nominated shall be declared elected and further nominations called for at the AGM.

If the number of nominations received exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, a ballot shall be held at the AGM.

Only full members of the Society (as set out in Rule 2) are eligible to nominate for the committee.

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## WEEKLY SEMINARS

### EVERY THURSDAY FROM 5:30PM TO 6:30PM

*The Rule 57 compulsory units*

- 6.1.1 ethics and professional responsibility (**EPR**)
- 6.1.2 practice management and business skills (**PM&BS**)
- 6.1.3 professional skills (**PS**)
- 6.1.4 substantive law (**SL**)

## UPCOMING SEMINARS

\* ***Damages in Discrimination Law*** (SL)

Thursday 29 October 2015.

Speaker: Mr Des Kennedy SC, Barrister, Jack Shand Chambers

Venue: City Tattersalls Club, 194-204 Pitt Street, Sydney

Cost of seminars: Free to CCLS members; \$55 Non-members (inc GST)

BOOK ONLINE AT: <http://www.sydneycitylawyers.com.au/seminar-bookings/>

## NEW SEMINAR VENUE STARTING 5 NOVEMBER

**The York Conference & Function Centre, 99 York St, Sydney**

\* ***Occupational Health & Safety*** (PM&BS)

Thursday 5 November 2015

Speaker: Ms Kellie Edwards, Barrister, Denman Chambers

\* ***Practical steps to make mediation effective and more cost effective*** (PS)

Thursday 12 November 2015

Speaker: Mr Dennis Wilson, Barrister, Edmund Barton Chambers

**Venue: The York Conference & Function Centre**

**99 York Street, Sydney**

(formerly the NSW Bowlers Club)

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to see details of upcoming events, network with other members, post and

participate in discussions on topics of interest to you.

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## **NEW SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED BY CSLS**

At its September meeting, the CSLS Committee resolved that a prize of \$1000 be established for awarding to a final year law student at UTS.

The prize will be awarded to a student nominated by the Dean of the UTS Law School, in consultation with CSLS President. The criteria for the prize are: sound academic achievement, together with community work, and demonstrating promise of becoming a well-rounded lawyer.

The inaugural prize will be presented at the CSLS Annual Dinner on 19 November.

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## **RECENT EVENTS**

### **Downing Centre Cocktail Function**

On Friday 16 October, the Annual CSLS Cocktail function with Judges and Magistrates was held at the Downing Centre.

This enjoyable function, a highlight of the CSLS year, was attended by 190 members & guests, hosted by the Hon. Justice Price (Chief Judge of the District Court) and His Honour Judge Henson (Chief Magistrate).

### **Costs and Croissants**

Our Costs and Croissants Breakfast CLE, featuring a presentation by John Fleming of the Law Society, attracted 86 people who were treated to a tasty buffet breakfast and insights into the new costs regime.

It provided a good opportunity for members to both learn about the specific costs provisions under the new uniform law and to ask questions about their application in particular circumstances.

Participants were keen to have their questions addressed, with many staying well past the advertised finish to discuss issues with our speaker.

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## **CSLS NOTICE BOARD**

### **Seminar topics**

**SUGGESTIONS?** If you have an idea for a Seminar topic or potential speakers, please contact Ann Parisi on [info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au](mailto:info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au).

### **Downing Centre Pro Bono Duty Solicitors Roster**

We continue with our duty roster aiming to provide free legal advice at the Downing Centre on hearing days. Our convener, Anthony Restuccia is keen to speak to solicitors willing to volunteer to attend one fixed day a month. Please contact Anthony Restuccia on [a\\_j\\_restuccia@yahoo.com.au](mailto:a_j_restuccia@yahoo.com.au) or mobile 0419 698 753.

### **Practical Legal Training (PLT)**

The City of Sydney Law Society, in cooperation with a number of academic

institutions, has been running a program to match up Practical Legal Training (PLT) students with our practitioner members and we invite all members to participate in the program. Students who have joined our Society as Student Members will be eligible to seek the Society's assistance with completing their admission requirements. Interested persons should contact our PLT coordinator Robert Eaves: [principal@eaveslegal.com.au](mailto:principal@eaveslegal.com.au)

### **Contributions for the Newsletter**

If you have a contribution for this newsletter or if there is something that you would like to see included, please contact the Editor, Bill Steenson, on 0478 617191 or [bill\\_steenson@yahoo.com](mailto:bill_steenson@yahoo.com) , or Executive Officer Ann Parisi on [info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au](mailto:info@sydneycitylawyers.com.au).

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