



Research partnerships roundtable

Program and participants

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**Community
Legal Centres
Queensland**



Introduction

There are great opportunities to build on relationships between community legal centres and researchers, to ensure meaningful access to justice across Australia.

Each year, Australia's community legal centres provide legal help to over 200,000 vulnerable people, across family, criminal and civil law. Our data collection tool collects more than fifty different types of information about each client, and our legal work covers a large number of legal areas.

This is a rich and underused resource for researchers interested in how real people experience the law, its structures and processes.

This inaugural research partnerships roundtable, co-hosted by the National Association of Community Legal Centres (**NACLC**) and Community Legal Centres Queensland, will showcase successful research collaborations between community legal centres and research organisations, discuss possible funding sources and opportunities, discuss current community legal centre research projects, and ignite conversations about possible research partnerships.

The Research Partnerships Roundtable will bring together community legal centres with researchers and academics, to identify opportunities for collaboration and partnership in research projects.

The keynote presentation will be delivered by Professor Rosalind Croucher AM, President, Australian Law Reform Commission.

A highlight of the event will be the networking lunch, held at the conclusion of the formal program. The lunch provides attendees with a fantastic opportunity to network with presenters, panellists and each other.

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Program

9.00am **Welcome and acknowledgement of country**

Amanda Alford

Director, Policy and Advocacy, NACLC

9.05am **Key note presentation**

Professor Rosalind Croucher AM

President, Australian Law Reform Commission

9.30am **Showcasing good partnerships**

Associate Professor Tamara Walsh

TC Beirne School of Law, University of Queensland

Professor Jeff Giddings

Griffith University

Sue Garlick

Queensland Public Interest Law Clearing House

10.00am **Funding opportunities: panel discussion**

Amanda Shipway

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Harriett Carter

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Dr Sarah Flaim

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10.30am **Morning tea**

11.00am **The paucity of serious Australian CLC scholarship**

James Farrell

Director, Community Legal Centres Queensland

11.15am **Supercharged Networking sessions**

12.30pm **Lunch**

Participants

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Kerry Bichel	Legal Aid Queensland	2	3
Debbie Bullock	University of Queensland	1	1
Kylie Burns	Griffith University	5	6
Bridget Burton	Caxton Legal Centre	6	3
Harriett Carter	Strategic Grants	5	6
Linda Cheng	Cairns Community Legal Centre Inc	1	5
Lynda Cheshire	University of Queensland	6	5
Rosalind Croucher	Australian Law Reform Commission	5	1
Mike Dee	Queensland University of Technology	5	4
Jennifer Donovan	University of Melbourne	1	5
Marissa Dooris	QPILCH	4	1
Heather Douglas	University of Queensland	1	4
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Dorothy Fauls	University of Queensland	2	4
Aaron Finn	Townsville Community Legal Service	2	6
Sarah Flaim	University of Queensland	4	5
Kate Galloway	Bond University	4	1
Sue Garlick	QPILCH	3	6
Jeff Giddings	Griffith University	2	5
Susan Hamilton	Aboriginal Family Legal Service Southern Queensland	1	3
Paul Harpur	University of Queensland	6	6
Bridget Harris	University of New England	3	1
Nicola Howell	Queensland University of Technology	6	5
Wayne Jones	CQU / Central Queensland CLC	6	4
Mary Keyes	Griffith University	6	1
Debbie Kilroy	Sisters Inside	1	1
Angela Lynch	Women's Legal Service	1	2
Peter Lyons	Prisoners Legal Service	3	5

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Kate McKenzie	DLA Piper	1	6
Katrina Middlin	Department of Justice and Attorney-General	3	4
Giselle Negri	Cairns Community Legal Centre	2	5
Robyn Outen	Aboriginal Family Legal Service Southern Queensland	3	1
Andrea Perry Petersen	QPILCH	2	4
Emma Phillips	Queensland Advocacy Inc.	4	2
Jenny Porter	QPILCH	5	5
Zoe Rathus	Griffith University	3	2
Janelle Rees	Queensland Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies	4	4
Alison Rice	Griffith Law School	2	2
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Lindsey Stevenson-Graf	Bond University	4	3
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Areas of interest:

- Access to Justice
- Human Rights (Domestic and International)
- Legal Assistance Services
- Family Violence

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Areas of interest:

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- Human rights
- Legal assistance services

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I am a senior lecturer at the TC Beirne School of Law at The University of Queensland. Prior to becoming an academic, I practised as a commercial law solicitor in a large law firm.

One aspect of my work is interested in the regulation of lawyers and ethics of legal practice. I am interested in how lawyers facilitate access to justice, undertake pro bono work and work competently in the context of changing conditions of practice. For instance, I

have begun a collaborative project considering the conditions of lawyers working regional and remote Queensland.

Another aspect of my work involves women in, and impacts on women by, the law. For instance, I was recently part of a team of researchers conducting the ARC funded Australian Feminist Judgments Project. We brought together feminist academics and judges from around the country to think about judicial decision making. We have created a website on which there are many resources freely available for practitioners, students and researchers on the topic: <http://www.law.uq.edu.au/the-australian-feminist-judgments-project>

Areas of interest:

- Regional and rural law and access
- Women, feminism and the law
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education
- Access to justice

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Areas of interest:

- Administrative law (broadly defined), vexatious litigants and self-represented litigants
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Access to justice
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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Areas of interest:

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- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Legal assistance services
- Alternative dispute resolution
- Access to justice

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Areas of interest:

- Access to compensation for personal injury/interaction with social security
- Access to justice
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education
- Women, feminism and the law

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- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Access to justice
- Human rights
- Legal assistance services

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Areas of interest:

- Access to justice
- Interdisciplinary service delivery
- Legal assistance services
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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Areas of interest:

- Domestic/family violence
- Family law
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education
- Women, feminism and the law

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Areas of interest:

- Alternative dispute resolution
- Legal assistance services
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Newly arrived communities, people from CALD backgrounds
- Women, feminism and the law

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Areas of interest:

- Access to justice
- Human rights
- Poverty law
- Community lawyering

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Areas of interest:

- Legal information resources
- Access to justice
- Legal assistance services
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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Areas of interest:

- Environment
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples ,
- Access to justice
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education
- Women, feminism and the law

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Areas of interest:

- Access to justice
- Alternative dispute resolution
- Legal assistance services
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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Areas of interest:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Access to justice
- Domestic/family violence
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Women, feminism and the law

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Areas of interest:

- Consumer financial services law
- Access to justice
- Alternative dispute resolution
- Consumer law
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups

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Areas of interest:

- Advice delivery into rural and remote areas using technology
- Access to justice
- Legal assistance services
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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Areas of interest:

- Access to justice
- Alternative dispute resolution
- Consumer law
- Family law
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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- Imprisoned women
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- Access to justice
- Criminal law
- Human rights

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Areas of interest:

- Alternative dispute resolution
- Criminal law
- Domestic/family violence
- Family law
- Women, feminism and the law

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- Criminal law
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Areas of interest:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Human rights
- Newly arrived communities, people from CALD backgrounds
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education
- Women, feminism and the law

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Areas of interest:

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- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Domestic/family violence
- Human rights
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Women, feminism and the law

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Areas of interest:

- Child protection
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Access to justice
- Domestic/family violence
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups

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Areas of interest:

- Access to justice
- Legal assistance services

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- Long term impact of clinical legal education on student involvement in pro bono
- Access to justice
- Human rights
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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Areas of interest:

- Disability law
- Access to justice
- Human rights
- Legal assistance services
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups

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Areas of interest:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Access to justice
- Domestic/family violence
- Family law
- Women, feminism and the law

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Areas of interest:

- Environmental and Earth Law
- Animal Law
- Human rights
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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Dr Alison Rice is a Research Development Manager at Griffith University. Alison's diverse experience as a research scientist complements the research development role as she understands the value of research; the process of research and its dissemination; and how it can transform policy and practice. Using skills in research, management, education and communication Alison creates and develops synergies between researchers, as well as with industry partners to augment research outputs and income. Part of the research development role is also to identify, generate and managing strategic research opportunities for Griffith. Alison has been seconded to work in the Law School/Law Futures Centre for 2 days a week.

Areas of interest:

- Research opportunities

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I have completed a Bachelor of Business majoring in Management, minoring in Law (too long ago) and in 2014 completed a Graduate Certificate in Public Administration.

Areas of interest:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Access to justice
- Family law
- Legal assistance services
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups

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She brings extensive university management experience working as an Executive Officer and conducting institution-wide collaborative projects. She previously worked in the Deputy Vice Chancellor's office at Macquarie University, coordinating high-level projects across all academic areas.

Her expertise is in providing strategic advice, risk mitigation and relationship management. She also worked and conducted postgraduate study in international relations, economics and legal fields in The Hague, Russia and the Australian National University.

Areas of interest:

- Access to justice
- Alternative dispute resolution
- Domestic/family violence
- Human rights
- Women, feminism and the law

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Areas of interest:

- Access to justice
- Domestic/family violence
- Human rights
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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Areas of interest:

- Access to justice
- Human rights
- Legal assistance services
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Teaching & learning, including clinical legal education

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Areas of interest:

- Social security payments, in particular long-term impact of Program of Support requirement for people claiming DSP
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples
- Human rights,
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups
- Newly arrived communities, people from CALD backgrounds

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Strait Islander Services; and Disability Services. Queensland Children's Lawyer of the Year 2000, I have remained committed to advocating for young people aged 10-18 who find themselves involved in, or at risk of involvement in, the youth justice and/or child protection systems. President of CLCQ for the last two years.

Areas of interest:

- Young people 10-25
- Access to justice
- Criminal law
- Human rights,
- Legal needs of vulnerable/marginalised groups



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