Professor the Hon Clyde Crof

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As an Independent Arbitrator and Mediator, Professor Croft has over 30 years experience in International and Australian arbitration and mediation as an Arbitrator, Mediator, Barrister, Senior Counsel, Supreme Court Judge and in policy advising in all aspects of international and domestic dispute resolution to governments and public and private organisations in Australia and elsewhere.

Professor Croft was appointed “Silk”, as one of the Senior Counsel for the State of Victoria (SC), in 2000. He was, in 2009, appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of Victoria and for a decade, until his retirement in 2019, was the Judge in Charge of the Arbitration List in the Commercial Court of that Court.

Prior to his appointment to the Supreme Court Dr Croft practised extensively in property and commercial law and was an arbitrator and mediator in many property, construction and commercial disputes, domestically and internationally. He was then, and is now on his leaving the Court,

- Professor in the Monash University Law Faculty
- An Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators (IAMA) (now the Resolution Institute and a Grade 1 Arbitrator (the highest grading)
- A member of the IAMA Australian and International Panel of Commercial Arbitrators
- A member of the Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (ACICA), the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) and the Asia Pacific Regional Arbitration Group (APRAG) panels of international arbitrators.
- Represented APRAG at the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) International Arbitration Working Group Sessions from 2005 until 2010
- A member of the Hague Conference on Private International Law Working Group on Choice of Law in International Contracts.
- A Life Fellow of the Resolution Institute (IAMA)
- A Life Fellow of ACICA
- A Fellow of AMINZ and member of the AMINZ Arbitration Appeals Tribunal
- A Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- A Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law and a Fellow of UNCCA (the UNCITRAL Coordination Committee for Australia).
- Member of the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA).
- Was the IAMA National President (1997 - 2000)
- Was an IAMA National Councilor and IAMA Vice-President until his appointment.
- Was the Foundation Vice-President, Treasurer and a Director of ACICA.
- Was an accredited mediator under the Australian National Mediator Accreditation System (and a Victorian Bar and IAMA Accredited Mediator)
- Was a Sessional Member, Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal
- A Resolution Institute (IAMA) Accredited Mediator.

Professor Croft is the author, or co-author, of leading texts in the international arbitration, property, equity, leasing, securities and commercial law fields and of numerous articles and conference papers on commercial arbitration (domestic and international) and property and commercial law subjects. He holds the degrees of B Ec, LLB and LLM from Monash University, Melbourne, and PhD from the University of Cambridge. Dr Croft was an Adjunct Professor of Law, Deakin University, Melbourne.

Justice Croft was also the Judge in Charge of a General Commercial List and Judge in Charge of the Taxation List in the Commercial Court of the Supreme Court of Victoria. During his decade in the Commercial Court he heard many very substantial and significant cases including multiple "class actions" and individual proceedings together with very significant arbitration proceedings.

In the 2019 Australia Day Honours Justice Croft (as he was then) was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) "For significant service to the law, and to the judiciary, particularly through commercial arbitration".

For further details, please see the attached CV and also the Summary of Professor Croft's Arbitration and related cases heard as a Supreme Court Judge.

The Hon Dr CLYDE CROFT AM SC Curriculum vitae

ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

- Appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) (Australia Day 2019)
- For significant service to the law, and to the judiciary, particularly through commercial arbitration.

QUALIFICATIONS

- PhD (University of Cambridge) (1983) (as a WM Tapp Research Student of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge)["Lord (Chancellor) Hardwicke – An Assessment of his Legal Career" (a study of the foundations and development of modern equity)]; and
- B Ec (1971); LL B (1973); LL M (1979) (Monash University, Melbourne).
- Fellow, Australian Academy of Law;
- Life Fellow, Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia (LFIAMA)(now the Resolution Institute);
- Life Fellow, Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (LFACICA);
- Judicial Fellow, Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand (JFAMINZ);
- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb); and
- Liveryman, Worshipful Company of Arbitrators of London.

JUDICIAL, ARBITRAL, ADR and PROFESSIONAL

- Professor in the Monash University Law Faculty
- Supreme Court Judge – Supreme Court of Victoria – 2009 to 2019;
- Commercial Court Judge – in the Supreme Court of Victoria (2009 to 2019) – Judge in charge of a General Commercial List, the Arbitration List and the Taxation List (and also Retail Leases Act appeals);
- Chair, Expert Advisory Committee, United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) National Co-Ordination Committee of Australia (UNCCA) to support UNCITRAL Working Group II (Disputes) [ie principally International Commercial Arbitration and Mediation] – May 2018 to present.
- Chair, Arbitration List Users' Group and Chair, Taxation List Practitioners Users' Group (to 2019);
- Representative of The Hon Chief Justice Marilyn Warren AC and now the present Chief Justice, The Hon Anne Ferguson, on

the Committee established by the Australian Chief Justices to harmonize Court rules and practice for Commercial Arbitration proceedings (Domestic and International), taking a leading role in a working group which developed and settled what became the Commercial Arbitration Rules 2014 (Supreme Court (Chapter II) Arbitration Amendment Rules 2014) (Victoria; and which were mirrored by the Supreme Court of South Australia); Judicial Member of the Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (ACICA) Committee of Arbitration List Judges (and Judges otherwise hearing arbitration matters) – for co-ordination of a national approach to arbitration proceedings; Chair of the Project Board, and then the Interim Board, establishing and managing the Melbourne Commercial Arbitration and Mediation Centre (MCAMC) (a Melbourne International Arbitration Centre) and subsequently chairing the Advisory Committee to the permanent MCAMC Board (2010–2016); and Member of the Hague Conference on Private International Law Working Group on Choice of Law in International Contracts which produced the Principles on Choice of Law in International Contracts (approved on 19 March 2015); Chair, Supreme Court Education Committee (to 2018); and Chair, Organising Committee – Commercial Court and Monash University Law School CPD Program (to 2019).

- Called/Signed Bar Roll as a Barrister – 1978 (NSW) and 1979 (Victoria); and admitted as a Barrister and Solicitor 1974 (Supreme Court of Victoria and the High Court of Australia – including the Australian Federal jurisdiction);
- Senior Counsel – Victoria (Letters Patent – 28 November 2000); New South Wales (reciprocal recognition - December 2000); Tasmania, ACT and NT (reciprocal recognition – April 2001) (with reciprocal recognition accorded in all other Australian States and Territories as required); and
- International Arbitrator - “Arbitrator Door Tenant” - Falcon Chambers, London.
- Chair, List A Barristers Pty Ltd (“List A” Barristers’ List of the Victorian Bar) (2004–2009);
- Victorian Bar representative on the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) Retail Leases List Users’ Group (1998 to 2009);
- Former member, International Bar Association (IBA); and the IBA Arbitration and Mediation Committees;
- Former Member, Law Council of Australia (LCA) (and Member, International Law Section, LCA);
- Member, Australasian Institute of Judicial Administration (AIJA);
- Former member, Leases Committee (Law Institute of Victoria); and
- Former member, Property Law Committee (Law Institute of Victoria).
- Sessional Member, VCAT (2003–2009) (assigned to the Legal Practice List, the Occupational and Business Regulation List and the State Taxation List);
- Statutory Arbitrator and Conciliator under the Retail Tenancies Act 1986 (1989–1998);
- Crown Solicitor for the Northern Territory of Australia/ Solicitor for the Northern Territory of Australia (1987 - 1988); and
- Public Notary, Northern Territory of Australia (appointed 1987).
- Adjunct Professor of Law, Deakin University (Melbourne)(1993–2017);
- Visiting Scholar, Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge (Aug/Sept 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009); and
- Examiner in Commercial Tenancy Law for Solicitors’ Specialist Accreditation Scheme (Law Institute of Victoria) (1999–2009).
- Treasurer and Director, Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (ACICA) (2003–2009); Vice President, ACICA (1996–2003); Foundation Vice-President ACICA (1984–1986); and Chair, ACICA Rules Committee (2004 –2009).
- National Councillor, Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia (IAMA) (2008–2009); National Vice President (2009);
- National President, IAMA (1997–2000); Immediate Past President, IAMA (2000–2001); Chair, Education and Training Committee, IAMA (1996–2000); Chair, “The Arbitrator” Journal Advisory [editorial] Committee, IAMA (1995–2001); and Chair, Arbitration Committee, IAMA (2008–2009);
- Member, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) National Arbitration Committee (Australia) (2007–2009); and
- Foundation member of the Asia-Pacific Council of the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) and formerly LCIA National Liaison Member for Australia.
- Former member, London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA).

- Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia (IAMA) – prior to judicial appointment a Grade 1 Arbitrator (Grade 1 being the highest grading) and a member of the Panel of Commercial Arbitrators (Domestic and International)) - now current as Resolution Institute Arbitration Accreditation (IAMA) Grade 1 Arbitrator;
- Asia Pacific Regional Arbitration Group (APRAG) – prior to judicial appointment a member of the Panel of International Arbitrators;
- Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (ACICA) – prior to judicial appointment a member of the Panel of International Arbitrators;
- Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand (AMINZ) – prior to judicial appointment a member of the Panel of New Zealand and International Arbitrators and formerly a member of the AMINZ Arbitration Appeals Tribunal Panel;
- Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) – prior to judicial appointment a member of the Panel of International Arbitrators;
- Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia (IAMA) – prior to judicial appointment an Accredited Mediator – now currently accredited as Resolution Institute Mediation Accreditation (IAMA);
- Victorian Bar – prior to judicial appointment an Accredited Mediator; and
- an Accredited Mediator under the Australian National Mediator Accreditation System – established by the National Alternative Dispute Resolution Council (NADRAC).

EXPERIENCE prior to JUDICIAL APPOINTMENT

Extensive experience and expertise in property, equity and commercial law (including equity, trusts, real and personal property, corporations, commercial projects and associated freehold and leasehold conveyancing, mortgages and securities, securitisation, commercial leases, commercial contracts generally, trade practices, construction and engineering and related matters) and international and domestic commercial arbitration, involving:

- appearances in the higher courts, statutory tribunals (including VCAT) and arbitration tribunals;
- commercial arbitration as arbitrator (having conducted a very significant number of domestic commercial arbitrations and, as sole arbitrator, tribunal chairman or co-arbitrator, a significant number of international commercial arbitrations), including major construction and engineering disputes;
- mediation, conciliation and other aspects of alternative dispute resolution (as mediator or conciliator and appearing for parties); and
- advice generally, including analysis of and advice on related policy issues and policy development for both Government and private clients;
- In particular, in relation to international commercial arbitration (and mediation): Chair of separate International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Arbitral Tribunals in relation to aircraft "wet" leasing and very substantial business/share sale agreements; Member of ICC Arbitral Tribunal in relation to the construction of a hydro-electric scheme in the Philippines (involving a series of major hearings and awards over five years); arbitrator, appointed by an ad hoc international tribunal in the same proceedings, deciding all procedural and substantive privilege issues (domestic and international), involving extensive awards and hearings; sole arbitrator, arbitral tribunal member or chair in commodities, franchising and other commercial arbitrations (under various arbitration rules, including ICC and UNCITRAL); and nominated arbitrator or arbitral tribunal member in other (ICC and UNCITRAL) commodities and other commercial arbitrations.
- Represented the Asia Pacific Regional Arbitration Group (APRAG) at sessions of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) Working Group on International Arbitration (Vienna (43rd Session, 2005, 45th Session, 2006, 47th Session, 2007, 49th Session, 2008, and 51st Session, 2009) and New York (44th Session, 2006, 46th Session, 2007, 48th Session, 2008, and 50th Session, 2009 (and 52nd Session 2010, as a Judge, being the Session that completed the revision of the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules)) revising the UNCITRAL Model Arbitration Law and the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules (the APRAG Reports of these Sessions which I prepared were placed on the APRAG website and used extensively by UNCITRAL delegates and observers and by international arbitration practitioners more generally).

GOVERNMENT

Secretary [Department Head] Northern Territory Department of Law (Attorney-General's Department) and Crown Solicitor/Solicitor for the Northern Territory (1986–1988); Executive Director, Law Reform Commission of Victoria (1986); Assistant Secretary (Policy Co-ordination), acting as Deputy Secretary, Law Department (Attorney-General's Department),

Victoria (1984–1985); and extensive legal and policy advice to various Australian Governments in the areas of expertise and experience, above (1988–2009); including as adviser to the Victorian Government in relation to the establishment of ACICA and the development of the Australian domestic commercial arbitration legislation (the Commercial Arbitration Acts) and advising and consulting generally in relation to the amendments to the Australian International Arbitration Act to accommodate the application of the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration as adopted in 1985 and in relation to amendments to the Model Law adopted by UNCITRAL in 2006. Adviser to the British Columbia Government in relation to the establishment of the British Columbia Commercial Arbitration Centre and enabling legislation applying the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration to British Columbia (1986).

COMMUNITY

Chancellor to the Primate of the Anglican Church of Australia (The Most Reverend Dr Philip Freier) (2014 to 2019); Chancellor, Anglican Diocese of Wangaratta (2010 to date); Deputy Chancellor, Anglican Diocese of Melbourne (2007 to date); Member of the Anglican (National) Church Law Commission (2008-2018); Tribunal Member of the Appellate Tribunal of the Anglican Church of Australia (the body established by the statutorily based Constitution of the Anglican Church of Australia as the ultimate National "court of appeal" from all other National and Diocesan tribunals in Australia; the current President of which is the Hon Keith Mason AC QC – former President of the New South Wales Court of Appeal)(2014 to date); and one of the [National] General Synod Representatives for the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne (since 2011).

Formerly President and Committee Member of the Geelong Regional Residential Association for the Intellectually Disabled (GRID)(1988-1995) and President and Committee Member of VICRAID (1989-1995)(the State-wide association of these Regional Residential Associations throughout Victoria – which together provided respite and longer term accommodation for approximately 3,000 intellectually disabled people until late October 1992).

Since appointment as a judge, re-established the Opening of the Legal Year ceremonies in Geelong in mid January each year (2011 to 2019). In addition to an ecumenical church service they include a Ceremonial Sitting of the Supreme Court at which others, including civic and community leaders and other judicial officers have joined the bench, and at times also spoken on matters of current interest and concern. In the Ceremonial Sittings for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 I have also been joined by a Senior Elder of the Wathaurong people, the original inhabitants of the Barwon Region – a tradition now established as a continuing one.

PUBLICATIONS

Commercial Tenancy Law in Australia (Butterworths, 1990; Butterworths, 2nd edition, 1997) joint author with Professor A. Bradbrook, University of Adelaide; with a third edition as Commercial Tenancy Law, jointly with Professor Bradbrook and Robert Hay, Barrister, published in December 2008) and with a fourth edition, written jointly with Robert Hay QC and Luke Virgona, Barrister, published 2018;

Retail Leases Victoria – under the Retail Leases Act 2003, the Retail Leases (Amendment) Act 2005 and under the 1986 and 1998 retail tenancies legislation (Butterworths/LexisNexis); a major loose-leaf work published in March 2006 – updates ongoing (being the fifth edition of Croft, Retail Leases, previously published between 1992 and 2004 by the Leo Cussen Institute) - since 2009 jointly with Robert Hay, Barrister and since 2015 jointly with Robert Hay QC and Luke Virgona, Barrister;

Handbook of Rent Review (Sweet and Maxwell (UK), Loose-leaf); main work by Kirk Reynolds QC and Guy Fetherstonhaugh QC of Falcon Chambers, London. Consultant Editor, Australian and New Zealand Law and Practice and author of an extensive chapter on Australasian rent review and rental valuation law and practice (chapter first published 2009 – updates ongoing);

Fisher and Lightwood's Law of Mortgage - Australian Edition (Butterworths, 1995; jointly with Professor ELG Tyler and The Hon Mr Justice PW Young AO, then CJ in Equity, subsequently a member of the Court of Appeal (Supreme Court of NSW)); second Australian edition (joint author, as above) published November 2005 (Butterworths/LexisNexis) – third Australian edition by the same authors published 2014;

The Mortgagee's Power of Sale (Butterworths, 1980); a second edition of this work, joint author with Jan Johannsson, was published in June 2004 (Butterworths/LexisNexis) – with a third edition (jointly with Robert Hay QC) published in 2013 and a fourth edition (jointly with Robert Hay QC) to be published in 2019;

On Equity (Law Book Co, 2009; jointly with The Hon Mr Justice PW Young AO, Judge of the NSW Court of Appeal, and Megan Smith, Solicitor (NSW)) – with a second edition by the same authors due to be published in 2020;

Commercial Arbitration in Australia (LexisNexis Butterworths, 2013 – Electronic Service (ongoing) with a hard copy book based on this Service published 2015 – jointly with Dr John Hockley, Barrister, Kieran Hickey, Barrister and William Ho,

Solicitor) - with a second (hard copy) edition to be published in 2020;

Commercial Arbitration in Singapore (LexisNexis, 2014 (Singapore); David Joseph QC (Eng) and David Foxton QC (Eng) Editors – co-authored a chapter, "Challenges to the Award", with William Ho, Solicitor; with a second edition of the book, including this chapter (revised by the same authors), published in 2018;

Consultant Editor, CCH Victorian Conveyancing Law and Practice (1989 to date – and since 2008 with Dr Andrew Hanak, Barrister (now Senior Counsel)[a text dealing with land contracts, leases, mortgages and commercial conveyancing; with a major series of Property and Conveyancing Law Reports (V ConvR)];

General Editor (from 2003 with Dr Andrew Hanak, Barrister (now Senior Counsel)), Australian Property Law Journal (Butterworths/LexisNexis)(since I established the Journal in 1994);

General Editor Leo Cussen Institute - Contemporary Issues in Property Law (1997 – four books in the series to date) (a series of substantial books containing papers on property law issues of current relevance; including leases, mortgages, sale of land and more generally);

A Guide to the Revised UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules (Cambridge University Press), jointly with Dr Christopher Kee (now Professor Christopher Kee, Dean of Education, Flinders University) and Professor Jeffrey Waincymer (Monash University) – published 2013;

Member of the Editorial Board, The Conveyancer and Property Lawyer (a Sweet and Maxwell, London, journal), since 2011;

Attorney-General's (Vic) Working Party on Alternative Dispute Resolution Report (1990) written in consultation and with the agreement of the Working Party;

Review of the Retail Tenancies Act 1986 which was prepared for submission to the Minister for Small Business by the Small Business Advisory Network; and

Articles and conference papers on commercial arbitration (domestic and international) and various equity, property and commercial law subjects – including the following (principally noting only those articles and papers published and delivered since appointment to the Supreme Court)[noting some chaired conference sessions]:

- Institutional Arbitration in Infrastructure and Construction [Paper: " The Application of the Doctrine of Forum Non Conveniens to Enforcement proceedings"] – Construction Industry Arbitration Council (CIAC – associated with the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) – United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)(New Delhi – October 2008);
- New Zealand Arbitration Day [Paper: "What to do when an arbitration goes sour – how to handle destructive tactics in arbitration (a commentary)"] – Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand (AMINZ)(Auckland – November 2009);
- New Zealand Arbitration Day [Paper: "How to Minimise Disruption and Delay in Arbitral Proceedings"] – Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand (AMINZ)(Auckland – November 2009);
- International Commercial Litigation and Dispute Resolution [Paper (with Bronwyn Lincoln, Partner, Freehills): "The Role of Courts: Enforcement of Arbitration Awards and Anti-arbitration Injunctions"] – Federal Court of Australia (Sydney – November 2009);
- International Commercial Arbitration [Paper (with David Fairley, formerly of Mallesons): "The New Framework for International Arbitration in Australia"] – Australian Centre for International Arbitration (ACICA)(Melbourne – December 2009);
- Advanced Guide to Commercial Litigation [Chair] – Law Institute of Victoria (LIV)(Melbourne – March 2010);
- "Arbitration Reform in Australia" [Paper] – Victorian Bar (Melbourne – May 2010);
- "Arbitration Reform in Australia and the new Arbitration List in the Commercial Court as relevant to the construction industry" [Paper] – Building Dispute Practitioners' Society (Melbourne – May 2010);
- "International Arbitration – the Good the Bad and the Ugly" [Paper and interactive] – Victorian Bar – with Mr Neil Kaplan CBE QC (Melbourne – June 2010);
- Challenges and Change [Papers: "The new UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules" and "The Arbitration List in the Victorian Supreme

Court"] – AMINZ Conference 2010 – (Christchurch – August 2010);

- "AON's case and case management in the Commercial Court" [Paper] – Commercial Court Seminar – (Melbourne - August 2010);
- International Dispute Resolution Conference [Paper: "Can Australian Courts get their act together on International Arbitration?" (in a session with a complementary paper by The Hon Justice Allsop AO, President of the New South Wales Court of Appeal)] – Australian Financial Review (Sydney – October 2010);
- Civil Procedure Workshop for Judges [Paper: "Discovery and Summary Judgment under Part 4.4 of the Civil Procedure Act"] – JCV (Melbourne – November 2010);
- Civil Procedure Act Conference [Paper: "Active Case management in the Victorian Courts"] – Department of Justice and the Supreme, County and Magistrates' Courts – (Melbourne – November 2010 and March 2011);
- Trusts Symposium [Paper: "Charitable Trusts"]– Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners and the Law Society of South Australia (Adelaide – February 2011);
- Victorian Bar Conference [Chair and speaker: "Civil Procedure Act – What you must know"] – (Torquay – March 2011);
- Arbitration and ICCA – The Next 50 years - 50th Anniversary Conference [Paper and Panelist – "The Development of Australia as an Arbitral seat – a Victorian Supreme Court perspective" and a discussion of the success of the Supreme Court of Victoria's Arbitration List] -International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA)- (Geneva – May 2011);
- ICC Court of (International) Arbitration Seminar [Paper: "The Supreme Court of Victoria's Arbitration List and its Role in Australia's arbitration framework"] – International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) (Paris – May 2011);
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators Seminar [Paper: "The Past the Present and the Future"] – Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (London Branch)(London – May 2011);
- "The Future of International Arbitration in Australia" [Paper] – Law Institute of Victoria (Melbourne – June 2011);
- APRAG Conference – 2011 – International Arbitration in a Challenging region [Chair: "Evolving Arbitration Rules in the Region"] – Asia Pacific Regional Arbitration Group (APRAG) and the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRC)(Kuala Lumpur – July 2011);
- Supreme Court of Singapore Seminar (for Judges of the Supreme Court of Singapore)[Paper on the approach of Australian courts to costs and the minimisation of costs and delay in litigation]](Singapore – July 2011):
- Taking Charge of the Future [Panel – Arbitration Hypothetical]– AMINZ Conference 2011 – (Auckland – August 2011);
- International Arbitration in Australia and Beyond [Paper: "International Arbitration and the Australian Courts"] – ICC and ICC Australia – (Melbourne – August 2011);
- "International Arbitration in Australia – Prospects and Trends" [Panel discussion and interactive] – Australasian Forum for International Arbitration (AFIA)(Melbourne – August 2011);
- Tackling Legal Challenges in Cross border Transactions [Chair] – Papers on the work of the Hague Conference on Private International Law on the choice of law rules in contracts – Attorney-General's Department (Commonwealth), Monash University and the Supreme Court (Melbourne – November – 2011);
- The New Commercial Arbitration Act 2011 [Panel speaker on the new provisions] – Department of Justice – (Melbourne – November 2011);
- Supreme and Federal Court Judges' Conference [Chair "Recent Controversies in Equity"] (Melbourne – January 2012);
- "How the Judiciary can support Domestic and International Arbitration" [Paper] – AMINZ Annual Conference 2013 – (Auckland – July 2013);
- "Judicial Approaches towards Challenges and Enforcement – an Australian Perspective" [Paper] – Chartered Institute of Arbitrators International Arbitration Conference Conference 2013 – (George Town, Penang, Malaysia – August 2013);
- "Judicial Intervention in the Asia-Pacific Region" [Paper] – UNCITRAL-MOJ-KCAB Joint Conference 2013: Arbitration Reform in the Asia Pacific Region – Opportunities and Challenges – (Seoul, Republic of Korea – November 2013);
- Law Institute of Victoria Costs Conference [Paper: "Changing the Culture of Civil Litigation: A Practitioner's Duties under the Civil Procedure Act"] – (Melbourne – February 2014);

- APRAG Tenth Anniversary Conference [Paper with The Hon Chief Justice Allsop AO, Chief Justice of the Federal Court of Australia: “Judicial Support of Arbitration”] – (Melbourne – April 2014);
- “Awarding Costs in Arbitration: A view from the Bench” [Paper] – AMINZ Conference 2014 – (Queenstown – August 2014);
- “Judicial Approach to Arbitration: An Asia Pacific Perspective” [Paper] – AMINZ Conference 2014 – (Queenstown – August 2014);
- “Alternative Dispute Resolution and Arbitration: Is Arb-Med an Option?” [Paper] – International Arbitration Conference – (Sydney – 2014);
- Law Institute of Victoria CPD Intensive Conference [Paper: “Promoting Australia as a Leader in International Commercial Arbitration”] – (Melbourne – February 2014);
- “Specialist Arbitration Lists: A Victorian Perspective” [Paper] – AMINZ Arbitration Day 2015 – (Auckland – February 2015);
- Justice Without Barriers: Technology for Greater Access to Justice – AIJA [Paper: “Technology in the Great Southern Litigation”](May 2015);
- Balancing the Demands of Judicial Life Seminar [Paper: “Balancing the Demands of judicial Life (with particular reference to the Great Southern class action etc proceedings)”] – JCV (Melbourne – September 2015);
- Commercial Court – Monash – CPD Seminar [Paper with the Hon Chief Justice Allsop AC, Chief Justice of the Federal Court of Australia: “The Role of Courts in Australia’s Arbitration Regime”] – (Melbourne – November 2015);
- “The Temptation of Domesticity – An Evolving Challenge in Arbitration” [Paper] – AMINZ Conference 2016 – (Queenstown – March 2016);
- Commercial Court – Monash - CPD Seminar [Paper with the Hon Chief Justice Warren AC, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Victoria: “An International Commercial Court for Australia – Looking beyond the New York Convention”] – (Melbourne – April 2016);
- “Recent Developments in Arbitration: at home and abroad” [Paper] – Arbitration Special Interest Group, Resolution Institute – (Melbourne – October 2017);
- “Commentary – United Nations Day Lecture” – UNCITRAL National Co-ordination Committee for Australia (UNCCA) – UN Day – (Melbourne – October 2017);
- “The New York Convention 1958 – Reflections and Predictions” – UNCCA – UN Day – (Melbourne, October 2018);
- “Enforcement of Awards: Problems and Practical Tips” – Chair – 6th International Arbitration Conference – (Melbourne – October 2018); and
- Wellness and the Judiciary – [Paper: “Judicial Wellness: Independence, Isolation and Collegiality” – forthcoming] – Panel member – Wellness Network for Law Forum – Monash University – (Melbourne – February 2019).
