

FOREWORD

It is my great pleasure to welcome readers to the 2017 issue of the *Journal of the Australasian Law Teachers Association* (JALTA) which is a special issue as it marks our 10th anniversary issue of this journal. It is amazing to think that 10 years has passed since the ALTA Executive put their faith in the idea that was floated and subsequently approved in 2008.

JALTA is a double-blind refereed journal that publishes scholarly works on all aspects of law. JALTA was established by the Australasian Law Teachers Association (ALTA) in 2008 and represents an important initiative which supports the research endeavours of its members, in addition to ALTA's highly regarded *Legal Education Review* (LER) and the Centre for Legal Education's *Legal Education Digest* (LED), which is included in ALTA membership. The journal also appropriately reflects the prestige, maturity and development of ALTA as an organisation which now represents well over 1000 members.

Producing a journal like this requires the tireless efforts of a number of people whose collective efforts have made this journal possible. I would like to acknowledge some of the key contributors who have made this issue of JALTA possible. First, in addition to all members of the ALTA Executive, I would like to thank my Editorial Board colleagues for their counsel and support. Second, I must thank ALTA Interest Group Convenors and all referees who assisted us with the double-blind refereeing process. I would also like to offer my thanks to Magdalene D'Silva for her efforts in proofreading and to Stan Lamond for his efforts in typesetting. Lastly, I need to record a special thanks to Sarah Parker who has worked assiduously as the Secretariat Coordinator for ALTA and assumed responsibility for the completion of this journal. Since joining the ALTA family, Sarah has worked professionally and most efficiently on all aspects dealing with JALTA and I can safely say that without Sarah's hard work JALTA would not be produced in a timely and professional manner. Well done, Sarah and sincere thanks!

I commend this issue of JALTA to all readers and ALTA looks forward to continuing to contribute to the legal profession through this journal.

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