EDITOR'S INTRODUCTION

This year's special issue is on the theme entitled, 'The Role of Policy in Private Law Adjudication'. Our invited contributors come from the United States, United Kingdom and Australia, and we are lucky indeed to have such a distinguished line-up. My thanks therefore go to them all for their time and efforts in preparing their papers.

Each contributor was given the theme of this special issue and then left to interpret it for him or herself. No constraints were imposed as regards to length or style or how the topic should be approached. The resulting papers are a fascinating mix. I am sure you will enjoy them all.

Next year's December, 2007 special issue is on the related theme of 'The Role of Policy in Public Law Adjudication'. Fred Schauer, Larry Alexander, Richard Kay, Adam Tomkins, Gerry Rubin, Grant Huscroft, Rex Ahdar, Sarah Derrington and Nick Aroney (giving us contributors from the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand and Australia) have agreed to write papers for that special issue, on the same laissez-faire basis as this issue was commissioned.

And our two 2008 issues will be reversed in order, with the special issue coming first. That will be dedicated to 'Essays in Honour of Ian Callinan', who retires from the High Court in the second half of 2007. Justice Callinan is the only Queenslander presently sitting on the High Court and a graduate of this law school.

Finally, the general issue of 2007 is now full and will appear in July. Happy Reading!

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