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Policing and prosecution of child sex abuse within the family – then and now

Tuesday 21 July 2015

Registration: 5pm, presentation commences 5.30pm

Venue: Grant Thornton offices, Level 18, 145 Ann Street, Brisbane

Drinks & Networking to follow

A professional panel chaired by Stephen Keim SC Barrister with keynote speaker Amanda Kaladelfos, Historian and Research Fellow, Griffith University presenting on her research on 'Sexual Offences, Legal Responses, and Public Perceptions: 1880s-1980s' by exploring the criminal justice system's response to familial sex offences in the 1950s. Practice commentary was offered by Andrew Boe Barrister and Warren Strange Executive Officer and Principal Lawyer, Knowmore Legal Service.

Panel:

Chair: Stephen Keim SC, Barrister-at-law

Stephen Keim was admitted as solicitor in 1978 and went to the bar in 1985. He took silk in 2004. Stephen, as a very inexperienced solicitor, appeared as duty solicitor in the Children's Court when it was held inside the Wilson youth Hospital. He later was a member of the management committee and, eventually, president of Youth Advocacy Centre. He has served as president, respectively, of the Queensland Council for Civil Liberties; Australian Lawyers for Human Rights; and the Legal Aid Commission. He is currently a member of the Council of the Queensland Bar Association.

Speakers:

Amanda Kaladelfos, Historian and Research Fellow, Griffith University

Amanda Kaladelfos is an historian and Research Fellow with the ARC Laureate Fellowship Project 'Prosecution and the Criminal Trial in Australian History' at the Griffith Criminology Institute, Griffith University. Amanda is Chief Investigator of an ARC Discovery Project (2015-2018) 'Sexual Offences, Legal Responses, and Public Perceptions: 1880s-1980s', which compares 100 years of Australian and Canadian historical responses to sexual offending. She has published a range of articles on the historical treatment of gender and violence. Amanda's monograph *Sex Crimes in the Fifties* (with Lisa Featherstone, University of Queensland) will appear later in 2015 with Melbourne University Publishing.

Andrew Boe, Barrister-at-Law

Andrew Boe was admitted as a solicitor in 1989 and as a barrister in 2009. He practices primarily in criminal law. In 2005 he was appointed an inaugural member of the QLS Criminal Law specialist accreditation committee and in 2009 was accredited as a specialist appellate counsel by Legal Aid NSW. He maintains chambers in Brisbane and Sydney and has appeared in criminal and appellate matters in Queensland, NSW, the Northern Territory, Western Australia and also in the High Court. He has an interest in child protection matters and appeared in numerous matters involving children, including, on occasions, in the Family Court concerning allegations of child sex abuse. In 2014, he appeared for victims in two case studies before the current Royal Commission into institutional child sex abuse. He is the current Vice-President of the Lawyers information Network and the Law and Justice Institute.



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Warren Strange, Acting Executive Officer and Principal Lawyer, Knowmore Legal Service

Knowmore was established in 2013 by the National Association of Community Legal Centres, with funding from the Australian Government, to provide free legal assistance to people engaging with or considering engaging with the Royal Commission into Institutional responses to Child Sexual Abuse. Prior to this role Warren was an Assistant Commissioner at the Crime and Misconduct Commission (CMC), where he led the Misconduct team. In 2003 Warren led the team that produced the CMC's Protecting Children report, resulting in fundamental reforms to Queensland's child protection system.

