

NTYL COMMITTEE PROFILES

Hugh Bond, President

Inspired by Bernie Sanders, over the last few months Hugh has been working on his manifesto for NTYL in 2016. Initially, the manifesto outlined a plan for uniting young lawyers in a fight for legal revolution; but eventually, after ironing out the creases, it turned out to be more of a guide for running a good wine raffle. So hold onto your hats, folks—those corporate fat cats on Wall Street can take away our jobs, they can take away our money, but they will never take away our wine raffles! #feelthebern

Nhi Tran, Vice-President

In a past imagined life, she spearheaded the goji berry movement and blogged from her base in Bali. In this current life, she's a lawyer working in child protection with Solicitor for the Northern Territory.

She's already achieved all of her new year's resolutions for this year (her advice: aim low), however she does look forward to contributing to another great year of NTYL.

Lokesh Kashyap, Secretary

Currently a solicitor at Darwin Community Legal Service, Lokesh came up from Tasmania hoping to bask in some consistent sunshine but what he got was heat stroke and sunburn.

Soon after moving up he realised how wrong he was to assume that the sun wasn't harsh enough for his skin to get a semi-permanent tan. Having said that, he has successfully survived two 'build-ups' and is slowly finding himself getting trapped in the clutches of Territory's rustic charm. He is not one to toot his own horn and loathes writing in third person.

Rose Watts, Treasurer

Rose Watts is a solicitor with HWL Ebsworth Lawyers and this is her third year spent on the NTYL committee. Rose specialises in commercial law and to quote T.S. Eliot, "I have measured out my life with coffee spoons," or coffee in general (lots of coffee). You get the picture.

Dom Gomez, committee member

A born and bred Territorian, Dom is employed as a solicitor and registered migration agent at Ward Keller, practising in general commercial, property, migration and administrative law. His perfect date would be a sensuous stroll along the Nightcliff foreshore at sunset, followed by gelato.

Michelle Duggan, committee member

This is Michelle's second year serving as a committee member of NTYL. She is a born and bred Territorian originating from Katherine. Michelle is a lawyer in the litigation division at Ward Keller. In her spare time she plays touch football with a number of teams including the notoriously uncoordinated Weed Killers. Her goal for 2016 (which Hugh also shares) is to defeat the CJ's XI cricket team at the Marsh Annual Cricket Match.

Clarissa Phillips, committee member

Clarissa works at Ward Keller and was admitted to practice in July 2015. She works in work health and employment law but has recently started dabbling in commercial law. She was asked to write something cute/funny about herself but realises that she doesn't have much of a life outside of occasionally spending time with friends and her pet cat. The clerks in her department then advised her to fabricate details to make her seem interesting, so she enjoys long walks on the beach and her idea of getting lucky is eating tacos for dinner.

David Qin, committee member

David was out of the office when an email was sent requesting a brief statement for this article. His out-of-office autoreply suggested that he was in China celebrating the Chinese Spring Festival; however, rumour has it that he has reunited with his old gangster rap buddies and is playing a reunion tour throughout the southern provinces (where rap is seen as the only real alternative to a life of crime).

Maker Mayek, committee member

Maker is employed as a solicitor at De Silva Hebron Barristers and Solicitors and practices in the area of litigation (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/maker-mayek-82a14749>).

