# **CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee** 2021 Chair Report from Calli Tsipidis

Another year around the sun, and what a year it has been for the CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee. It is a credit to the Young Lawyers for not only matching their stellar accomplishments from 2020 again in 2021, but for continuing to seek to innovate and improve the CAMLA experience for young lawyers, students and CAMLA members alike.

#### **2021 EVENTS**

#### **Networking Event**

The CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee started 2021 with a bang. hosting the annual Networking Event in late March. We were grateful to be joined by over 50 eager attendees at the offices of Clatyon Utz.

Timothy Webb (Clayton Utz and 2021 CAMLA Board member), Sarah Woolcott (BMG Music), Michael Bradley (Marque) and Claire Roberts (Eleven Wentworth and 2021 CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee member) discussed their career paths, professional highlights and challenges, and provided sound advice. Fittingly, the panel encouraged attendees to think of networking not as a daunting 'tick the box' exercise required for your job, but as an opportunity to make valuable, human connections.

Thank you again to the panel for lending us your very valuable time and insights - and to Clayton Utz for hosting us.

## Privacy 101

Kicking off the Young Lawyers '101' series of events for the year was the 'Privacy Law 101', a breakfast seminar at the offices of Bird & Bird. Our expert panel of Peter Leonard (Data Synergies), Sophie Dawson (Bird & Bird and 2021 CAMLA Board member), Veronica Scott (KPMG) and Kelly Matheson (Minter Ellison) provided a high-level analysis of developments in the privacy and data security space and explored how privacy practitioners can best assist clients in navigating these complexities.

We are very grateful to the panel and to Bird & Bird for hosting.

## Injurious Falsehood 101 Webinar

Next on the calendar was the Injurious Falsehood 101 – our first of many webinars. We were fortunate to be joined by the knowledgeable and engaging Sue Chrysanthou (153 Phillip Barristers) and Dauid Sibtain (Level 22 Chambers), who took our attendees through the elements of the injurious falsehood, as well as provide a very practical look at the day-to-day issues that practitioners face.

### Sports Law 101

Footy finals season was in full swing when the CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee rounded up sports fanatics Tim Fuller (Gadens) and Simon Merritt (Lander & Rogers) to join us for Sports Law 101, which I was very grateful to have also featured in. The panel discussed the intricacies of doping matters, duty of care of sports governing bodies. disciplinary matters and sponsorship and ambassador arrangements.

Thank you to Tim and Simon for joining us and lending us your valuable insights.

#### Imputations 101

Finally, the Imputations 101 event rounded out the Young Lawyers calendar for 2021. We were thrilled to be joined by Nicholas Olson and Tim Senior of Level 22 Chambers, two experts in the field, addressing issues such as how to frame imputations in a pleading, and how to respond to them (generally in a defence, and by evidence) - and sharing a candid view of Australia's approach to imputations.

Thank you to our panel who provided excellent insights- and to Corrs Chambers Westgarth for hosting this event.



I would also like to thank the wonderful CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee members who worked on each of these events, whose success is very much a testament to their diligence and hard work. The shift to virtual events did allow attendees from States and Territories other than NSW to attend CAMLA Young Lawver Committee events this year. We look forward to continuing to welcome our friends from across Australia to our seminars and webinars in 2022.

#### **OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS**

Throughout the year, the CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee Young Lawvers contributed various works to the Communications Law Bulletin. Specifically, the Young Lawyers were very grateful to have participated in the inaugural International Women's Day Edition. Thank you to Eli Fisher and Ashleigh Fehrenbach for allowing us the privilege and opportunity to contribute to a game-changing edition. I'd also like to extend a thank you to the CLB liaisons from the CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee – Claire Roberts (Eleven Wentworth) and Dominic Keenan (Allens) – for your fantastic work helping coordinate the young lawyer contributions in 2021.

I would like to thank our fabulous hosts and coordinators, Belvndy Rowe (Sainty Law) and Joel Parsons (Bird & Bird) of the CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee. I encourage all members to tune in, it is an excellent initiative and one I am grateful to the Young Lawyers for taking on and continuing to master.

Excitingly, the CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee are also planning a campaign to increase engagement amongst young lawyers and university students. We are thoroughly looking forward to continuing to help break down the invisible barriers between studying and practising law.

It has truly been a pleasure to Chair such a passionate, genuine, and conscientious group of young lawyers. I would like to extend a big thank you to the 2021 Committee for their outstanding efforts and enthusiasm in what was another challenging year:

- Amy Riley (Allens)
- Antonia Rosen (News Corp)
- Belyndy Rowe (Sainty Law)
- Claire Roberts (Eleven Wentworth)
- Dominic Keenan (Allens)
- Ellen Anderson (Addisons)
- Isabella Boag-Taylor (Bird & Bird)
- **Jess Millner** (Minter Ellison)
- Jessica Norgard (nbn co)
- Joel Parsons (Bird & Bird)
- **Kosta Hountalas** (Herbert Smith Freehills)
- **Madeleine James** (Corrs Chambers Westgarth)
- Nicholas Perkins (Ashurst)
- Nicola McLaughlin (Kay & Hughes)

I would like to give particular thanks to our Secretary Belyndy Rowe, who not only managed our meeting minutes and records but who was an integral member of the **CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee** throughout 2021. We would not

have had the successes we had in 2021 without her involvement in the Committee.

I would also like to extend sincere thank you on behalf of the Young Lawyers to 2021 CAMLA President Martyn Taylor, the CAMLA Board and Executive who have provided us with tremendous support throughout the year. I would also like to call out the wonderful Cath Hill for all of the incredible work she does for us behind the scenes. The success of CAMLA, and the Young Lawyers Committee, is very much thanks to Cath and her contributions to all of our initiatives.

I am exceedingly proud of the accomplishments of the Young

Lawyers 2021 and am looking forward to a bigger and better 2022, hopefully one we can all enjoy with events and meetings returning to in person!

I encourage any young lawyer with an interest in communications and media law to submit their interest in joining the 2022 CAMLA Young Lawyers Committee, or, if you aren't already a member, sign up today.

Wishing you and your families all the best for the festive season.

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