

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Law Students Society at the University of Western Sydney, Macarthur is a dynamic group of law students which aims to meet the needs of students in the Greater Western Sydney Region and its wider community.

In May 1999 the LSS convened the forum, *E-Commerce: The Challenge of the New Millennium*. It attracted over 100 people to our Law Faculty at the Campbelltown campus, demonstrating that the Internet has truly impacted on people from all walks of life. Keeping ahead of the changes in the professional environment and technology is significant; interested members of the public, partners of firms, manufacturers, bankers, students, solicitors, accountants, lecturers and nurses attended. In terms of diversity and number of the participants, the forum was the most successful the Law Students Society has had. Our main sponsor for this event was Minter Ellison (Sydney).

We were fortunate to have as our speakers a group of experts in the area of Electronic Commerce:

- Associate Professor Brian Fitzgerald BA (GU) LLB (Hons) (QUT) BCL (Oxon.) LLM (Harv.), Dean of School of Law and Director of the Digital Millennium Law Centre, Southern Cross University.
- Hadyn Oriti LLB, Senior Associate, Banking and Finance, Mallesons Stephen Jaques who was assisted by Jarrod Brooks LLB, Law graduate, Mallesons Stephen Jaques.
- Chris Connolly LLB, Director, The Financial Services Consumer Policy Centre
- Paul Ryan ASA, Senior Manager, Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre

The success of the forum, which provided the impetus for this Special Edition of the *Macarthur Law Review*, is attributable to the speakers, writers and the assistance of the LSS President Joanne Chayna. Importantly, it is the respect and acknowledgement of experts in this area for our speakers that attracted contributions to this Special Edition.

**Joy Nash, Conference Convenor**

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