

## Launch of "Annotated Civil Liability Legislation – Queensland" (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition), Authors R Douglas, G Mullins, S Grant Wednesday 5 December 2012, 5.30pm Bar Common Room, Ground Floor, Inns of Court

Over the last 14 years I have been honoured to launch many books and contribute forewords for many publications. I can sincerely say it has not been unduly burdensome to have to read all of those books, although some have concededly been rather more gripping than others.

The publication we celebrate tonight has fallen into the least burdensome category, for no one would expect me to have read this book from cover to cover. Had I done so, of course, I would have been immensely better informed. But dipping into this book sufficed to persuade me of its potentially great value to practitioners, judges, students and unrepresented claimants.

The publication corroborates the authors' expertise in this regrettably intricate field, and we are indebted to them for the provision of a reliable, comprehensive and up-to-date resource.

Producing a book of this character is a very substantial undertaking, and the authors are to be commended for their capacity to meld that commitment with the maintenance of busy successful practices.

That the book now reaches its third edition is itself testimony to its perceived usefulness and value to practitioners especially.

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I warmly congratulate the authors on their contribution to Queensland jurisprudence in this important field.

I am very pleased now formally to launch the third edition of "Annotated Civil Liability Legislation – Queensland", commending the authors, and commending the publication to the users.