



SUPREME COURT
OF QUEENSLAND

**Medico-Legal Society of Queensland
60th anniversary celebration
The Gallery, Level 3, Queen Elizabeth II Courts of Law
Thursday, 22 November 2012, 6.30pm**

Mr President, Past Presidents, Co-Patron, Your Honours, ladies and gentlemen,

I am very pleased to welcome you to the Queen Elizabeth II Courts of Law, as in the Gallery, we join to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the Society.

We celebrated the 50th anniversary on 22 November 2002 in what we called the Rare Books Precinct outside the Banco Court in the former courthouse at 304 George Street. What a delight to be able to welcome you into these exponentially more attractive and impressive surroundings.

A wag suggested that this short address should attempt a 2012 reprise of Chief Justice Neal Macrossan's 1952 address at the Society's first function, when he addressed the topic "Medical and Legal aspects of drunkenness in relation to drivers of vehicles"...but I think not! Neal Macrossan is in fact in our midst (note: point to portrait) and he may not approve.

Today in its 60th year, though 22 of them were quiescent, the Society is dynamic and strong and continues to serve both professions well. One may be optimistic it will continue to flourish for another 60 years at least. It has my enthusiastic support.

Ladies and gentlemen, please join me in acknowledging the vibrant longevity of the Medico-Legal Society of Queensland..."the Society".