



# Association of Australian Magistrates 20th Biennial Conference

## Conference Information

The Association of Australian Magistrates (AAM) has held conferences since its commencement in 1991.

This year the event is combined with the annual South Australian Magistrates conference which has been possible due to the support of the Chief Magistrate of South Australia, Mary-Louise Hribal and the Courts Administration Authority (SA).

## Association of Australian Magistrates

AAM is primarily the representative body of Australian Magistrates nationally and internationally. There are nearly 500 Magistrates in Australia providing services in Civil, Criminal, Coronial and Child Protection Law. About 300 of them are members of AAM.

Its objects include -

- Ensuring the maintenance of a strong and independent judiciary as the third arm of government in Australia;
- Promoting and encouraging continuing legal, social and cross cultural study and learning by all members;
- Promoting legal research in collaboration with universities and educational institutions of similar standing;
- Promoting and exchanging legal, educational, practical and professional information between members and other persons or bodies, nationally and internationally.

## Conference Organising Committee (SA)

Magistrate Jayne Basheer,  
Magistrate Brett Dixon (AAM President)  
Magistrate Jack Fahey  
Magistrate Paul Foley  
Tania Georgeou (Conference Administrator)  
Magistrate Lydia Makiv (retired)  
Magistrate Maria Panagiotidis (Convenor)

## Conference Administration

Tania Georgeou  
8204 0290 (available all hours)



**Courts Administration Authority**

[www.courts.sa.gov.au](http://www.courts.sa.gov.au)

# Summary Justice in a Complex World

## Program



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Wednesday 10—Saturday 13 August 2016  
The Stamford Plaza Adelaide



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## WEDNESDAY 10 AUGUST 2016

3 - 4.30pm **Registration Open**  
Stamford Plaza Hotel, 150 North Terrace Adelaide

5.00 pm **Welcome function**  
Government House, North Terrace Adelaide  
(Cnr King William Street)  
Dress code: Lounge Suit / After Five  
Entrée card must be presented

## THURSDAY 11 AUGUST 2016

**Boulevard Room, Level 1 Stamford plaza**

9.30 am **Welcome and Conference Opening  
(inc. Welcome to Country—Jack Buckskin)**  
Magistrate Brett Dixon, AAM President  
Judge Mary-Louise Hribal, Chief Magistrate

9.40 am **Opening Address**  
The Honourable Christopher Kourakis  
Chief Justice of South Australia

10.10 am **The role of Magistrates in Commonwealth matters -  
a consistent approach?**  
Mark Pedley, Commonwealth Solicitor for Public  
Prosecutions

11.00 am Morning Tea

11.30 am **Young offenders—a brief visit or a lifelong career?**  
Dale Agius, Member Youth Review Board & Justice  
Reinvestment Committee  
Her Honour Judge Penny Eldridge, Youth Court of SA  
Inspector Gregory Forrest, SA Police  
Prof Mark Halsey, Flinders University  
Leanne O'Shea, Deputy Chief Magistrate Qld  
**Moderator**  
Alex Ward, Barrister, SA Bar

1.00 pm **Lunch**  
TG's Restaurant, ground floor Stamford Plaza

2.15 pm **Law American Style**  
Christopher Darden  
**Chair and commentator**  
Ian Press SC, Deputy DPP (SA)

3.30 pm Afternoon Tea

3.45 pm **What we know now - Family Violence and the Justice  
System**  
Rachel Ellyard, Barrister, Victorian Bar  
Magistrate Anne Goldsbrough, Victoria

5.00 pm **Close**

6.00 pm **Conference Dinner**  
Art Gallery of SA, North Terrace Adelaide  
(please enter via West doors)  
6.00 pm Walking Tour of Exhibits  
6.30 pm Pre-dinner Drinks  
7.00 pm Dinner  
10.45pm Close

## FRIDAY 12 AUGUST 2016

**Boulevard Room, Level 1 Stamford plaza**

9.30 am **Language, Law and Living Well**  
Julian Burnside AO, QC, Victorian Bar

10.45 am **Morning Tea**

11.15 am **Magistrates' Courts and Refugees: Charges arising from  
immigration detention - inquests - personal injury claims  
for breach of duty of care**  
Claire O'Connor SC, SA Bar

12.15 pm **The Wrap**  
Magistrate Paul Foley

1.00 pm **Lunch**  
TG's Restaurant, ground floor Stamford Plaza

2.00 pm **AAM Annual General Meeting / SA Open Forum**

## SATURDAY 13 AUGUST 2016

9.00 am **Barossa Valley Wine Tour**  
Including lunch at Fino, Seppeltsfield  
8.45 am Meet at front entrance of Stamford Hotel  
9.00 am Bus departs  
5.00 pm Bus returns

(Conference chairpersons will be Magistrate Brett Dixon and Magistrate Maria Panagiotidis)