

MEMORANDUM BETWEEN

**THE SECTION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW OF THE AMERICAN BAR
ASSOCIATION**

and

THE INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION OF THE LAW COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA

WHEREAS:

- A. The American Bar Association is the peak national representative body for lawyers practising in the United States of America.
- B. The Law Council of Australia is the peak representative body for lawyers practising in Australia.
- C. Each association caters for the specialised interest of members through the establishment of sections.
- D. Each association has formed an International Law Section, the objectives of which in each case include clarification and promotion of the rights of their respective members when practising international law, practising in foreign jurisdictions or otherwise becoming involved in international transactions.
- E. The ability of each section to advance the interests of its members would be enhanced through close cooperation with the equivalent sections of prominent law associations in other countries.
- F. There is a longstanding mutual respect between members of the Australian legal profession and members of the legal profession in the United States of America.
- G. There is also longstanding mutual respect between office holders of the American Bar Association and the Law Council of Australia.
- H. The commencement of the United States Australia Free Trade Agreement in 2004 has enhanced commercial opportunities between the respective countries and has in turn emphasised the need for closer relations between the legal professions of both countries.

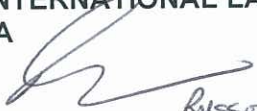
The International Law Section of the American Bar Association and the International Section of the Law Council of Australia, recognising their mutual interests in the law,

- desiring to strengthen their co-operation in promoting the mutual respect and exchanges between lawyers in both countries and the exchange of legal information and materials,

- recognising their mutual support of the rule of law and the development of legal research work throughout the world,
- recognising the growing importance of trade and other ties between the two nations and their peoples and the vital part played by the law in these relationships,
- providing two complimentary registrations to the Spring Meeting of the Section of International Law in exchange for two complimentary registrations to the International Law Section's principal annual meeting,
- cross-promoting membership, and
- developing a co-branded program in Australia at a time and place and on a topic of mutual interest.

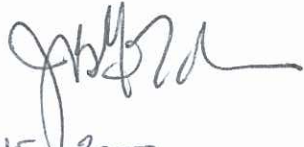
hereby agree that they will seek to enhance the honour of the law and the profession of law and to develop and maintain a relationship based on mutual respect and co-operation, and that through exchanges based on mutual respect and co-operation, and that through exchanges as appropriate of legal publications, materials and information, as well as visits of lawyers, they will endeavour to strengthen the bonds which join them as members of the legal profession.

FOR THE INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION OF THE LAW COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA



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CHAIR

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