



Wellington Women
LAWYERS ASSOCIATION



Call for expressions of interest

Contributions to a Special Issue of the Victoria University of Wellington Law Review (VUWLR)

Early in 2014 the VUWLR will dedicate a Special Issue in commemoration of Harriette Vine, the first women to graduate with a law degree from Victoria University (then Victoria College) in 1913. To mark this occasion, the Wellington Women Lawyers Association (WWLA), in conjunction with the Law Faculty, awarded two essay prizes for contributions which addressed the challenges for current women law graduates. The award ceremony was combined with a panel discussion featuring a number of prominent women graduates from Victoria on 19 September 2013 - marking 120 years since women's suffrage in New Zealand.

In on-going recognition of the first women to graduate, the Editorial Board of the VUWLR, along with guest editor, Associate Professor Elisabeth McDonald, welcome expressions of interest from law graduates of Victoria, past or present members of the Law Faculty or current students who would like to contribute to a Special Issue to be published in early 2014.

As the reason for the Issue is to acknowledge Harriette's achievement, contributions should preferably address one or more of the following topic areas:

- Current or historical challenges for women lawyers, judges, politicians or policy makers;
- Commentary on the jurisprudence of New Zealand women judges;
- Analysis of New Zealand laws or practices which impact adversely on women's lives;
- Feminist theory or critique of laws, practices, policy decisions and legislative processes.

Expressions of interest should ideally be sent to elisabeth.mcdonald@vuw.ac.nz by **midday Friday 1 November 2013**.

Contributions may be in any form, (including poetry or short reflective pieces) but no longer than 10,000 words (including substantive footnotes). Final versions (NZ Style Guide compliant if appropriate) must be received by **5pm Monday 3 February 2014**. Contributions will be peer reviewed in accordance with VUWLR requirements.

WWLA will support an event to acknowledge the publication of this Special Issue.