

## EDITORIAL

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Law students in New Zealand offer a unique and valuable perspective on the legal systems of the world. It is the aim of the New Zealand Law Students' Journal to give voice to this perspective.

The value of the student perspective lies in the ability of students to take academic freedom to its fullest extent. Students are not constrained by any fear of jeopardising long established reputations or any pressure to impress. Their work is motivated by an interest in the subject and a belief in the advocated position.

The perspective of a New Zealand law student is also unique. Conceptions of the law that are at an early stage of development in the minds of our future professionals can be refreshingly honest in their approach and instructive of the true rationale beneath the detail. Combined with the demographic and institutional elements of the New Zealand student population, our students offer an insight into the law that is inimitably homegrown.

The following ten articles carry on a very high standard of student scholarship established in our inaugural edition last year. I very much hope that you find them engaging and feel enriched from their perspective on contemporary issues. They would not be possible without the support of the academic community from around New Zealand. The Chief Editorial Board is sincerely grateful for the involvement, advice and support of the academic and professional communities that have made a second step towards our vision a reality.

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Editor