INTRODUCTION

Regular readers of the Journal of South Pacific Law will have seen it undergo a number of changes over the past 10 years. The major change in appearance that readers will notice with this edition is that from Volume 11(1) onwards the Journal of South Pacific Law will be published in .pdf format. This enables us to create a more readable and consistent style across the journal and allows our readers to be able to refer to our articles more easily. Readers who would like a hardcopy of the full journal or individual articles will also find it tidier to print. We hope you enjoy the benefits that these changes bring to the journal.

ABOUT VOLUME 11(1)

In December 2005 the University of the South Pacific School of Law hosted the Seventh Australasian Property Law Teachers Conference in Port Vila, Vanuatu. This gathering of teachers of property law in Australia, New Zealand and Pacific Islands meets approximately every two years. Volume 11(1) is a publication of the proceedings from this conference. The articles in this edition are not refereed.

These proceedings do not contain every paper that was delivered at the conference. There has been quite a long delay between the conference and the publication of the proceedings and some of the conference presenters have already published their papers elsewhere. A full programme for the conference can be found below.

Authors were asked not to extensively update their papers to take into account recent developments in the law. Whilst many authors have added some comments on significant legal changes that have taken place since the conference the content of the papers is primarily current as of December 2005.

Anita Jowitt
General Editor
## Conference Programme

**Australasian Property Law Teachers’ Conference**  
9 – 11 December 2005  
Port Vila, Vanuatu

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| Friday   | 9/12/05    | 9.00 - 9.30am | Welcome  
*Professor Robert Hughes, Dean of Faculty of Arts and Law  
Official Opening  
*Hon Maxime Carlot Korman, Minister of Lands, Vanuatu*  

Session 1  
Houses with a History – Duty of disclosure  
Webb  
The Tension between Private Property and Relationship Property  
*Nicola Peart*

Session 2  
Victoria’s Electronic Conveyancing Project,  
*Pamela O’Connor*  
Fraud and the Volunteer in the Victorian Project  
*Elise Histed*  
Forms for the Victorian Project  
*John Barry*

Session 3  
Dedicated Means of Giving Notice of Unregistered Interests  
*Ben McEniery*  
Indefeasible Title Acquired with Knowledge of Breach of Trust  
*Alan Toy*

Saturday  
10/12/05  
Session 4  
Analysing Aboriginal Land Tenure  
*Maureen Tehan and Lee Godden*  
A Critique of Queensland’s Indigenous Cultural Heritage Legislation  
*Margaret Stephenson*

Session 5  
Traditional Values and Modern Challenges: Some African and Melanesian Perspectives  
*Alex Amankwah and John Mugambwa*  
Claiming Territorial and Non Territorial Rights under the Foreshore and Seabed Act 2005(NZ)  
*Shaunnagh Dorsett*  
Legal Aspects of Customary Land Administration in Solomon Islands  
*Joseph Foukona*  
Combined Discussion

Session 6  
Landlords, Tenants and Access to Justice  
*Brendan Edgeworth*  
Termination of Old Strata Schemes in Australia  
*Cathy Sherry*

Session 7  
Property and the Insolvent Estate  
*David Brown*  
The Nature of the Unit Trust in the 21st Century  
*John Tarrant*

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| Sunday   | 11/12/05   |               | Session 8  
There’s No Place like Home  
*Kevin Gray*  
Skills and Criterion Referenced Assessment: Turning “LWB236 Real Property A Law” into a subject for the real world  
*Kelley Burton*  

Session 9  
Ways to Make the Teaching of Property/Land Law More Interesting  
*Michael Weir*  
General Discussion  
Closing