

Professor Geoffrey Lindell

speaks at two public events at the Faculty of Law, ANU

SEMINAR: Tuesday 7 September

5.30pm | Staff Library | 1st floor, Faculty of Law, Building 5 | cnr Fellows & East Roads ANU

To recognise or not to recognise same sex marriages in the United States, Australia and New Zealand?

This talk addresses the different constitutional issues surrounding the recognition of same sex marriages in the United States, Australia and New Zealand. The topic provides a fascinating interplay of constitutional and statutory interpretation, federalism, the role of the judiciary and conflict of laws.

PUBLIC LECTURE: Thursday 9 September

6pm | Law Theatre | Faculty of Law, Building 5 | cnr Fellows & East Roads ANU

The Coalition War against Iraq in the Courts of the UK and the US – Significance for Australia

This lecture addresses the growing but inherently limited role of judicial review in the conduct of foreign affairs, as illustrated by cases in the United States and the United Kingdom concerning the recent Coalition War against Iraq. The lecture addresses, with a view to assessing their significance for Australia, issues that have arisen in the courts of those countries concerning justiciability, the relationship between domestic and international law and the scope of prerogative powers over defence and foreign affairs.

Geoffrey Lindell, LLB (Hons), LLM (Adel) is currently an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Adelaide and the ANU, and a Professorial Fellow at the University of Melbourne. Before his recent retirement as a full-time academic, he held senior academic positions at the ANU and Melbourne University. He has taught and published, and continues to publish, widely in the field of Australian constitutional law. He was closely involved in major reviews of the Australian Constitution, has provided legal and constitutional advice to governments and parliaments, and appeared in two major High Court constitutional cases. He was the inaugural Secretary of the Australian Association of Constitutional Law, a body he helped to form. Earlier this year he was a guest of the Washington and Lee University Law School, Lexington, Virginia, USA, where he taught during the Spring Semester.

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