

Introduction

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We are pleased to introduce the first volume of the 6th Edition of the Oxford University Undergraduate Law Journal ('the Journal'). This year, due to increasing readership and a widening pool of outstanding submissions the Journal will be publishing two volumes as part of the 6th Edition instead of just one. For this Edition, we have drawn from a large pool of quality submissions by students from law schools across the United Kingdom. This is only possible because of the conscientious efforts by our Editors, Jean and Govind, and their team of Associate Editors.

In many ways, an endeavour like ours is foolhardy.

First, while we only publish articles within the scope of Oxford's Final Honour School of Jurisprudence (FHS), the very idea of publishing carefully thought-out essays developed over an extended period of time runs counter to the primary mode of examination in FHS, i.e. extempore 45-minute essays. Nonetheless, we believe that there is value providing a platform like the Journal for budding legal minds to hone their writing and research skills and to delve deeply into an area of law.

Second, unlike other common-law countries with a strong culture of student-edited law reviews, publications like ours in the United Kingdom are usually staffed by full-fledged academics. Fortunately, this outlier status of the Journal as a fully student-run enterprise is starting to change: from when we first joined the Editorial Board until when we step down, we have observed the rise of other undergraduate law journals in other English and Irish universities. We are very glad that others also see the value of student-run law journals.

As such, we are especially thankful to our contributors, who have put in painstaking efforts and placed their faith in us.

We open this Edition with John Cheung's revisionist perspective on the difficult area of law that is defective premises. This is followed by this Edition's winner of the Norton Rose Fulbright Prize for the Best Article in Contract, Tort, Trusts, and Land Law this year, Thomas Foxton's intricate piece on the role of contributory negligence in contractual claims. Next, Jian Jun Liew revisited the oft-criticised case of *Ingram v Little*, mounting a brave and innovative attempt to impose order on the law on mistaken identity in contract. Kamilia Khairul Anuar then critiques the law on procedural fairness in prenuptial agreements for its failure to articulate clear legal principles. In a saturated area of academic debate, Nathalie Koh's analysis of the *Quistclose* trust is an impressive undertaking. Finally, we close this Edition with Orestis Sherman's Hohfeldian interpretation of trustees' liability vis-à-vis *AIB v Mark Redler*. We are confident that the 6th Edition will be a thought-provoking read.

We are also pleased to announce our newest sponsorship developments. Norton Rose Fulbright has kindly agreed to double their sponsorship of the Norton Rose Fulbright Prize. This prize is awarded to the best private law submission to the Journal. In this respect, we would like to thank Associate Professor Luke Rostill for selecting the prize-winner.

It is our fervent hope that the Journal will continue its proud tradition of promoting scholarship and legal understanding in its future issues and we would like to reiterate our gratitude to any and all who have helped us with our endeavours thus far. Last but not least, we would like to thank you, the reader, for spending your time on reading this.