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## The Inaugural Pacific Law Library Twinning Newsletter

Welcome to the first edition of Tusitala, the Newsletter of the Australian Law Librarians' (ALLA) Pacific Law Library Twinning Program.

Tusitala is Samoan for 'story teller', which was the name given to Robert Louis Stevenson the Scottish novelist and poet who moved to Samoa in the late 1800s.

This Newsletter has been set up as an information exchange between the law libraries involved in the Program and we welcome any and all contributions regarding your experiences as participants.

This Newsletter may also be used as a forum to ask for ideas and further information on topics related to the work of the Twinning Program.

The Newsletter will be published by the Pacific Twinning Coordinator at the Lionel Murphy Library in the Australian Attorney-General's Department in Canberra.

Publication dates will be determined by the amount and currency of the available content.

Please send all contributions to the Twinning mail box at [pacifictwinning@ag.gov.au](mailto:pacifictwinning@ag.gov.au).



## Scholarship Recipient

This years ALLA Pacific Scholarship recipient is Raelytta Daoe from the Supreme Court in Nauru. Raelytta will be attending the ALLA Conference in Perth as part of her scholarship and will be spending some time in a law library while she is there. Nauru is a small country with one main street so the experience of being at a bustling conference, let alone a busy city may be quite overwhelming. Please make yourselves known to Raelytta if you are attending the conference. I'm sure she will appreciate having some new friends to support and encourage her.

## ALLA Conference

Karyn Gladwish and Nell Leonard will be attending the conference representing the Twinning Program. We will be manning a stand during the breaks and would love to meet all the librarians from twinned libraries. To find

us look for the 'Pacific Twinning' banner. If there is enough interest we will meet for lunch on Thursday.



**Nell & Karyn with Jenny Tevvi from PacLII (R) and Pauline Kalo from the Vanuatu Supreme Court, the Scholarship recipient at last years conference.**

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Don't forget to check the **Australian Law Librarian Journal (ALL)** for Pacific News and to contribute if you can via the twinning email box [pacifictwinning@ag.gov.au](mailto:pacifictwinning@ag.gov.au).

#### Breaking news:

**PacLII** has made improvements to the Pacific Legal Gateway

**Vanuatu** has released a new publication, Jenshel's Annotated Civil Procedure and Rules, which will be sent to all Pacific Twins in the near future. Thanks to Mr Ari Jenshel for the kind donation.

**Law Librarian wanted** to work in a Samoan law library under an AusAID program. If you are an Australian who is willing to expand your horizons for a six month to one year period and have an enthusiastic approach to life and work please contact the Twinning Coordinator through the twinning mailbox for more information.



**Tip** If you have a camera send a photo of your library and staff to your twin.

## New Twins

Congratulations to our most recent twinning partners. We are grateful for your enthusiasm and commitment to the Program.

**PNG Supreme Court - Department of Justice Victoria**  
**Tuvalu Attorney-General's Office - Tasmanian Supreme Court**

## Related links

Browse the links below for Pacific information.

**PacLII Pacific Legal Gateway**

<http://www.pacii.org/gateway/>

**Pacific Islands Law Officers' Network**

[http://www.ag.gov.au/www/agd/agd.nsf/Page/International\\_Development\\_Assistance](http://www.ag.gov.au/www/agd/agd.nsf/Page/International_Development_Assistance)

**Australian Development Gateway**

<http://www.developmentgateway.com.au/>

**Australian Law Librarians' Association Pacific Twinning Information**

<http://www.alla.asn.au/nat/pacific-twinning.htm>

**PARBICA**

[http://www.archivenet.gov.au/archives/PARBICA/parbica\\_home.htm](http://www.archivenet.gov.au/archives/PARBICA/parbica_home.htm)

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