
DR SIMON BUTT

Curriculum Vitae

Personal details

Name: Dr Simon Andrew Butt
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Education and Qualifications

2008: Awarded Harold Luntz Prize for the Most Outstanding Law Thesis at Melbourne University in 2007.

2007: Awarded PhD thesis on Indonesian judicial system at University of Melbourne.

2003: Obtained NAATI accreditation as an Indonesian translator.

2001: Awarded the Blackburn Medal for Research in Law at the Australian National University (ANU) for thesis on Intellectual Property Law in Indonesia.

2001: Completed Law Degree with First Class Honours at the ANU.

1997: Received the ANU University Medal in Asian Studies (Indonesian) for thesis on the Indonesian Supreme Court.

1997: Completed Asian Studies (Indonesian) Degree at the ANU with First Class Honours.

1995-1996: Studied law at Gadjah Mada University, Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

1987-1991: Completed Higher School Certificate at North Sydney Boys High School.

Employment history

2008-present: Lecturer, Law Faculty, Sydney University.

1999-present: Working in Australia and Indonesia as Associate Director of the Asian Law Group. This has involved:

Teaching:

- over 35 three-week elementary and 12 advanced intellectual property law courses throughout Indonesia to judges, prosecutors, academics, lawyers and government officials in 1999-2008, sponsored by AusAID;
- Indonesian legal drafting training in 2008.
- Indonesian evidence law and indictment drafting to senior judges and prosecutors in 2005;
- comparative criminal law to senior Indonesian judges and prosecutors in 2004;
- three courses in Jakarta and Melbourne on legal interpreting and translation, including elements of court work and language facilitation for use in judicial training courses in 2002-2004;
- a one-week course on comparative legal traditions and the Australian legal system to Indonesian Supreme, High and District Court judges in Jakarta in 2003;
- a one-week Legal Frameworks for Business in Asia course for the ANU's National Graduate School of Management (NGSM) in Canberra (2003);
- several one-week courses on advocacy skills for young Indonesian legal aid lawyers in 2002-2003 in various parts of Indonesia, sponsored by AusAID.

Preparing bilingual (Indonesian and English) commentary and materials for all of these courses, except for the ANU NGSM course, which was prepared in English.

Project management and team leader. I was in-country coordinator on the intellectual property, advocacy and interpreting courses.

Coordinator and co-author of Indonesian-English legal glossary project in cooperation with one of Indonesia's leading legal NGOs, *Hukumonline* (Online Law) (www.hukumonline.com) in 2003-04.

- 2007:** **Taught** 'Indonesia: Law and Society' at post-graduate level, Law Faculty, University of Sydney.
- 2006:** **Consultant to the International Commission of Jurists.** I researched and wrote a strategy paper covering current legal issues, judicial reform and human rights law in Indonesia.
- 2005-2006:** **Access to Justice and Justice Sector Reform Adviser, United Nations Development Programme, Jakarta.**
- 2004:** **Consultant for Australian Legal Resources International (ALRI),** conducting research and writing a report on local dispute resolution mechanisms in East Timor.
- 2004:** **Expert witness** on Indonesian legal translation.
- 2000-present:** **Consultant on aspects of Indonesian law to the private sector.** I have provided legal advice to a number of major Australian law firms with respect to elements of Indonesian law, the Indonesian legal system and the law applicable in East Timor.
- 2000:** Advised Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (IP Division) on aspects of Indonesian intellectual property law.
- 1998-present** **Legal translation and interpreting at a professional level.** Established Indolaw, an Indonesian legal translation business in 2004 (see www.indolaw.com.au).
- 1998 – 1999:** Worked as an Indonesian Translator/Analyst for the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Canberra.
- 1998** Assisted Professor Dr Tim Lindsey (University of Melbourne) with the editing of his book, *Indonesia: Law and Society*, Federation Press, Sydney, 1999.
- 1997:** Paralegal for Clayton Utz (law firm) in Sydney.

Publications and Editorial Roles

- 2008** Indonesian law contributor, *International Law in Domestic Courts*, Oxford University Press (www.ildc.oxfordlawreports.com).
- 2008** 'Conditional Constitutionality, Pragmatism and the Rule of Law', *Hukumonline*, 2 May 2008.
- 2008** 'Anti-Terrorism Law and Criminal Process in Indonesia', *Islam, Syari'ah and Governance Background Paper Series*, ARC Federation Fellowship, University of Melbourne.
- 2008:** 'Intellectual Property Law in Indonesia: A Problematic Legal Transplant', in T Lindsey (ed), *Indonesia: Law and Society*, 2nd edition, Federation Press, Sydney.
- 2008:** 'Surat Sakti: the Decline of the Authority of Judicial Decisions in Indonesia', in T Lindsey (ed), *Indonesia: Law and Society*, 2nd edition, Federation Press, Sydney.
- 2008:** 'Islam, Polygamy and Mixed Marriage in Indonesia', in T Lindsey (ed), *Indonesia: Law and Society*, 2nd edition, Federation Press, Sydney.
- 2008 (accepted)** with Tim Lindsey, 'Indonesia's Constitutional Court: Privatisation and Democratisation', in *Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies* (forthcoming, August).
- 2008 (forthcoming)** with Tim Lindsey, 'The People's Prosperity? Indonesian Constitutional Interpretation, Economic Reform and Globalisation', in John Gillespie and Randall Perrenboom eds., *Pushing Back On Globalization: Asian Regulatory Perspectives*, London: RoutledgeCurzon (forthcoming).
- 2007** 'Banishing judicial accountability? The Constitutional Court's Decision in the Dispute Between the Supreme Court and the Judicial Commission', in Andrew MacIntyre and Ross McLeod (eds), *Democracy and the Promise of Good Governance*, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies.
- 2006** 'Intellectual property, civil law and the failure of law in Indonesia: can criminal enforcement of economic law work in developing countries?' with Tim Lindsey, in T Lindsey (ed) *Law Reform in Transitional and Developing States*, Routledge, London.
- 2006** 'Indonesia's Constitutional Court and the death penalty', *Asian Currents*, Asian Studies Association of Australia, November.
- 2006:** Review of Bedner and Niessen (eds), *Towards Integrated Environmental Law in Indonesia* in: *Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies*, August.
- 2006:** 'Indonesia's Constitutional Court: a reform over-achiever?', *Inside Indonesia*, No 87, July-September.

- 2006:** with Tim Lindsey, 'TRIPs and intellectual property law reform in Indonesia: why injunctions aren't stopping piracy', *Harvard Asia Pacific Review*, Winter 2005.
- 2005:** with Tim Lindsey, 'Two high-profile cases put Yudhoyono on trial', *Australian Financial Review*, 22 July.
- 2005:** with Tim Lindsey, 'Early plea for clemency may be a mistake', *The Australian*, 30 May.
- 2005:** with Tim Lindsey, 'Indonesia's life or death battle against drugs', *The Age*, 27 May.
- 2005:** with Tim Lindsey, 'Justice system not getting a fair hearing in high-profile drugs cases', *Sydney Morning Herald*, 3 May.
- 2004:** Co-author and editor of: *Looking forward: local dispute resolution mechanisms in East Timor*, Australian Legal Resources International.
- 2004:** 'The Masykur Abdul Kadir Case: Indonesian Constitutional Court decision No 013/PUU-I/2003' (2004) 6(2) *Australian Journal of Asian Law* 1.
- 2004:** with Tim Lindsey, 'Indonesian Judiciary in Constitutional Crisis: Parts 1 & 2', *Jakarta Post*, 6 and 7 August 2004.
- 2004:** with Tim Lindsey, 'Independence of the Judiciary at Stake, Not the Bali Bombers' Fate', *Sydney Morning Herald*, 30 July 2004.
- 2004:** with Tim Lindsey, 'Review is not a Release', *The Australian*, 27 July 2004.
- 2000-2004:** Intellectual Property Law Tab in: *Doing Business in Indonesia*, CCH, Singapore.
- 2003:** 'Indonesia's Draft Criminal Code: can legal diversity exist within a single national law' 28(6) *Alternative Law Journal* 304.
- 2002:** Co-author and editor of: Tim Lindsey, Eddy Damian, Simon Butt, Tomi Suryo Utomo (eds), *Hak Kekayaan Intelektual: Suatu Pengantar* [Intellectual Property Rights: An Introduction], Alumni, Bandung.
- 2002:** 'Intellectual Property Law in Indonesia: A Problematic Legal Transplant' 24(9) *European Intellectual Property Review* 429.
- 1999:** 'Polygamy and Mixed Marriage in Indonesia: The Application of the Marriage Law in the Courts', in Lindsey, T (ed), *Indonesia: Law and Society*, Federation Press, Sydney.
- 1999:** 'The Eksekusi of the *Negara Hukum*: Implementing Judicial Decisions in Indonesia', in Lindsey, T (ed), *Indonesia: Law and Society*, Federation Press, Sydney.

Conference/presentations

- 2008:** 'The Softening of Constitutional Court Decisions: Problems and Paradoxes', *Indonesian legal reform workshop*, University of Melbourne, Faculty of Law, 20 May.
- 2008:** 'Polygamy under Indonesian Law: recent research and cases', presented at *Indonesia: Law and Society*, University of Melbourne, Faculty of Law, 6 May.
- 2007** 'Judicial responses to corruption in Indonesia', *Australia-Indonesia Governance Research Program conference*, 5 December.
- 2007:** 'Recent Indonesian constitutional court decisions on corruption', Presented at *Law Reform and Business Efficiency – China and Indonesia*, Sydney University, 6 July.
- 2006:** 'Learning from each other: Cooperation between national and regional/state governments and legislative drafters in Indonesia and Australia', Presented at *Making of Regional Legislation and the Power of Central Government to Repeal Regional Legislation*, Aryaduta Hotel, Jakarta, 24 November.
- 2006:** 'Banishing Judicial Accountability? The Constitutional Court's Decision in the Dispute between the Supreme Court and the Judicial Commission', Presented at the *Indonesia Update*, Australian National University, Canberra, 22-23 September.
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Grants awarded

- 2007:** Australia-Indonesia Governance Research Partnership (AIGRP) grant for project entitled 'Judicial Responses to Corruption in Indonesia', in partnership with Konsortium Reformasi Hukum Nasional (KRHN).
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Relevant skills

- Language skills:** Advanced Indonesian, with professional translating and interpreting experience, with legal specialty.
- Computer Literacy:** Microsoft Word, Internet, E-mail, and Windows.
- Typing Speed:** Approximately 75 words per minute.

Referees

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