



Australian Succession Law

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Willem Kilian was admitted as an Australian Lawyer in the Supreme Court of New South Wales in December 2009 and the Queensland Bar Association in March 2010 and has been practicing in the areas of civil and commercial litigation. Willem holds a Bachelor of Commerce with majors in Financial Accounting, Economics, Business Economics, Latin, Private Law and Roman Law; a Bachelor of Laws with majors in Mercantile Law, Tax Law, Advanced Private Law, Constitutional Law, Administrative Law and a Master of Laws (Mercantile Law) with honours with majors in Competition Law, Intellectual Property Law and Information Technology Law from the University of Stellenbosch.

Leonie Englefield, barrister, Judge's Chambers, Melbourne

Leonie Englefield is a Melbourne barrister, nationally accredited mediator and currently a Judge's Associate. She practises in the areas of deceased estates, trusts and superannuation law. Leonie appears regularly in Supreme Court matters and has an extensive mediation practice. For five years immediately prior to coming to the Bar in 2005, Leonie was an in house counsel in the Funds in Court Office of the Supreme Court of Victoria. There she advised on fund administration, including litigation involving beneficiaries of the funds, drafting trust deeds and Court orders, and performing prudential duties. Admitted to legal practice in 1989, Leonie has worked in community legal centres, legal aid and as a legal academic.

Leonie is a member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP), the Commercial Bar Association, the Tax Bar Association and the Superannuation Lawyers Discussion Group.

Leonie enjoyed the challenge and reward of writing the family provision section of this service during the passage of substantial amendments and in the face of a flood of new decisions.

Leonie hopes that her readers enjoy absorbing and applying the law as much as she enjoyed recording it.

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Madeleine Harland graduated from The University of Adelaide with a Bachelor of Laws with Honours and a Bachelor of Arts (Psychology major). During her tertiary studies, Madeleine was the recipient of academic awards including subject prizes in administrative law, immigration and refugee law and legal research and writing.

Madeleine is a former Judge's Associate in the Supreme Court of South Australia. During this time Madeleine was extensively involved in the resolution of matters within the Supreme Court's exclusive probate and administration jurisdiction, including assisting with referrals from the Registrar of Probates.

Madeleine currently practises at an independent law firm, Lipman Karas in the areas of dispute resolution, equity and commercial, corporate and insolvency, and trusts and estates. She is a reporter for the *South Australian State Reports*, *Industrial Reports* and *Australian Succession and Trusts Law Reports*. Madeleine is also a member of the Law Society of South Australia's Civil Litigation Committee.