

## **R6.53 - JOHN G CHRISP LAW BURSARY**

Recitals-

A. The late Miss Eleanor Elizabeth Heriot Chrisp who died at Lilydale on 28 July 1928 made a bequest of her residuary estate in the following terms-

"To the University of Melbourne for the purpose of founding a Bursary in the name of my late brother 'John G. Chrisp Law Bursary' such Bursary to be for the purpose of enabling deserving persons to pursue the course for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws in the University. And it is my desire that the University should take proper means not merely to determine the character and ability of candidates but also to ascertain the financial position of candidates so as to ensure that the Bursary should be awarded to a person who without such assistance would be deprived of the opportunity of pursuing a course of training in the University for the profession of the law."

B. At the date of the first making of this regulation in 1931 the University had received £780 in satisfaction of the bequest.

C. From 2008 no new enrolments were accepted for the existing undergraduate law degree, the degree of bachelor of Laws, which was replaced by the postgraduate degree, the Juris Doctor. As a result a cy prè application was made to the Attorney-General for Victoria for the bursary to be available to students enrolled in either the degree of bachelor of Laws or the degree of Juris Doctor.

D. On 13 May 2009, the Attorney-General sanctioned a cy prè scheme pursuant to section 4 of the Charities Act 1978 (Vic), 'that the Trust be varied as follows:

the bursary be awarded by the Dean of Melbourne Law School to students undertaking either of the two degrees which provide a qualification in law: the degree of bachelor of Laws and the degree of Juris Doctor.'

It is provided as follows-

1. The sum of £780 and any accumulations and additions to the sum forms a fund called the 'John G. Chrisp Law Bursary' ('fund') and the fund must be paid into an investment pool and remain there until Council directs otherwise.
2. Council hereby authorises the dean of Melbourne Law School ('dean') to award each bursary on behalf of the University to a student enrolled in either the course for the degree of bachelor of Laws or the course for the degree of Juris Doctor.
3. Applicants must produce evidence to the dean that without assistance they would suffer financial hardship.
4. The ordinary tenure of the bursary for the degree of bachelor of Laws or the degree of Juris Doctor is the period required to complete the relevant degree but the dean may extend the ordinary tenure by a period not exceeding one year.
5. The bursary must not exceed the net annual income of the fund.

[Am. 3/5/99, effective 1/7/99, ss. 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 substituted 6/11/00; Recitals C & D added, s 2 & 3 deleted, new s 2 added, s1 and new 3 & 4 amended 12/10/09]