

## UTR6.8 - THE PROFESSOR KERNOT RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS

### Recitals-

- A. On 27 June 1887 William Charles Kernot, BA, MA, MCE (Melb.), engineer ('donor') presented to the University the sum of £2,000 ('first donation') for the purpose of founding scholarships in Natural Philosophy and Chemistry.
- B. On 28 March 1908 the donor presented to the University the further sum of £200 ('second donation') to augment the capital represented by the first donation and the accumulations thereto, so that the income arising therefrom would support an additional scholarship in Geology.
- C. The donor was appointed the first professor of Engineering at the University in 1882; subsequently he was the president of the Royal Society of Victoria, the Victorian Institute of Engineers, and the Victorian Institute of Surveyors, for various terms. The donor campaigned throughout his career to improve the status of the engineer; he died on 14 March 1909.
- D. The University accepted the first donation and the second donation upon the trusts specified by the donor, and those donations therefore became the capital subject to those trusts ('capital sum').
- E. The disciplines described by the donor as 'Natural Philosophy' and 'Geology' are now described at the University as 'Physics' and 'Earth Sciences' respectively.
- F. By his Will dated 10 April 2008, Roderick James Esdaile, BSc (Melb.) PhD (Glasgow), scientist bequeathed \$10,000 to the University, and requested that the bequest be applied to science education, and in particular an appropriate scholarship fund for physical science education. Dr Roderick Esdaile, an expert in titanium and fibre optics, died on 31 May 2008.
- G. The expression 'physical science' used in Dr Roderick Esdaile's Will means the disciplines of Physics, Chemistry, and Earth Sciences, the same disciplines specified by the donor.
- H. In accordance with the request of Dr Roderick Esdaile as recorded in his Will, the University decided to apply Dr Roderick Esdaile's bequest to augment the capital sum.
- I. By her Will dated 14 December 2012, the late Susan Angela Esdaile, BAppSc (OT)(USyd) PhD (La Trobe), who was Dr Roderick Esdaile's widow, bequeathed \$10,000 to the University 'to augment the capital sum of The Professor Kernot Research Scholarships Fund ... to be applied, together with an earlier bequest given to The University of Melbourne by my late husband Dr Roderick Esdaile and which was included in the Fund, to award scholarships in accordance with the terms of the Fund ...'. Dr Susan Esdaile, who died on 11 May 2013, was an occupational therapist and completed her PhD in education and behavioural health sciences.
- J. In accordance with Dr Susan Esdaile's Will, her bequest has been added to the capital sum.
- K. This University trust record is the means by which the University records-
  - (1) the trusts specified by the donor upon which the University as trustee holds trust property, including the capital sum; and
  - (2) the administrative arrangements for the implementation and ongoing performance of those trusts, as determined by the University from time to time.

It is provided as follows-

**Name of the fund**

1. The capital sum, all income arising from the capital sum, and any accumulations and additions thereto together form a fund called 'The Professor Kernot Research Scholarships' ('fund').

**Investment of the fund**

2. The fund is to be paid into one or more investment common funds and remain there until Council directs otherwise.

**Trust terms**

3. As trustee of the fund, the University is obliged by the trusts specified by the donor ('trust terms')-
  - (1) to establish a perpetual trust;
  - (2) to preserve the capital of the fund, meaning that the capital of the fund is not to be spent; and
  - (3) to apply the income arising from the fund to award scholarships in Physics, Chemistry, and Earth Sciences.

**Administrative arrangements**

4. Until its further determination, and in order to implement the trust terms, the University has determined to apply the income of the fund to award annually three scholarships, each of the value of one-third of the net annual income of the fund in the preceding year, as follows-
  - (1) to award on the recommendation of the head of the school of Physics to a student of Physics a scholarship named 'The Professor Kernot Research Scholarship in Physics';
  - (2) to award on the recommendation of the head of the school of Chemistry to a student of Chemistry a scholarship named 'The Professor Kernot Research Scholarship in Chemistry'; and
  - (3) to award on the recommendation of the head of the school of Earth Sciences to a student of Earth Sciences a scholarship named 'The Professor Kernot Research Scholarship in Earth Sciences'.
5. The dean of the faculty of Science is authorised to award each scholarship on behalf of the University.

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