

UTR6.329 - THE MILLIS JACKSON RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

Background

- A. By her Will dated 11 September 2012, the late Nancy Millis ('donor') bequeathed \$150,000 to the University ('bequest') as follows -

'...to be applied in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology to establish a Scholarship for research in Biotechnology or Environmental Microbiology ...'

- B. The donor also stated in her Will-

'I express the wish that such sum be added to the bequest by my sister JEAN JACKSON and that it be known as the MILLIS JACKSON FUND'.

As it was not possible to combine the two bequests, the University decided, at the request of the executors, to name the scholarship 'The Millis Jackson Research Scholarship' in acknowledgement of the donor's wish.

- C. Professor Nancy Millis AC MBE, BAgSc 1945 (Melb) MAgSc 1946 (Melb) PhD (Bristol) DSc (Honoris Causa) (Melb) Hon LLD (Melb) Hon DSc (LaTrobe) joined the University's Department of Microbiology in 1952. She is recognised as a pioneer of the study of fermentation technology. She is credited with overseeing the introduction and surveillance of genetic engineering in Australia. She was appointed Chair of the Commonwealth Government's Recombinant DNA Monitoring Committee (subsequently known as Genetic Manipulation Advisory Committee) in 1981. In 1982, Nancy Millis was only the fourth woman to be appointed a Professor at the University. She later served as Chancellor of LaTrobe University from 1992-2006. She has the rare distinction of being featured on a stamp issued by Australia Post in 2002, which honoured the work of five eminent Australian scientists. Coinciding with her retirement, the April 2006 issue of the International Journal of Systematic and Evolutionary Microbiology reported a newly discovered bacterium named 'Millisa brevis' in recognition of Professor Millis' contribution to water microbiology.
- D. The University accepted the bequest upon the trusts specified by the donor and determined by the University, and the bequest therefore became the capital subject to those trusts ('capital sum').
- E. This University trust record is the means by which the University records -
- (1) the trusts specified by the donor and determined by the University 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 Millis Jackson Research Scholarship' ('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 and determined by the University-
 - (1) to establish a scholarship in the department of Microbiology and Immunology for research in biotechnology or environmental microbiology; and
 - (2) to provide that if in any year there is any unspent income, the unspent income may be added to the capital of the fund or accumulated as income for the award in a subsequent year of one or more scholarships.

Administrative arrangements

4. Until its further determination, and in order to implement the trust terms, the University has determined-
 - (1) to establish a perpetual trust;
 - (2) to hold one or more scholarships open for award annually from the income of the fund;
 - (3) to call each scholarship 'The Millis Jackson Research Scholarship'; and
 - (4) that the Dean of the Faculty ('Dean') on the recommendation of the Head of School of Biomedical Sciences, who must first consult with the Head of the department of Microbiology and Immunology, is to determine-
 - (a) the recipient of each scholarship,
 - (b) the value of each scholarship,
 - (c) the term of each scholarship, and
 - (d) the number of scholarships to be awarded each year.
5. The Dean is authorised to award each scholarship on behalf of the University.

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