

## **UTR7.280 - THE JOYCE THORPE NICHOLSON BEQUEST**

### Recitals-

- A. By her Will dated 14 June 2004, the late Joyce Nicholson (née Thorpe) ('donor') bequeathed \$200,000 to the Baillieu Library of the University ('bequest') as follows -
- 'To the BAILLIEU LIBRARY of the UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE the sum of \$200,000 ... to house, maintain and promote the JOYCE THORPE NICHOLSON COLLECTION in perpetuity.'
- B. The donor was born in 1919 and was an Australian author, business woman and publisher. She was the daughter of publisher Daniel Wrixon Thorpe and Miriam Thorpe (née Schenk), and was educated at Methodist Ladies' College and at the University. She was active in the women's movement as one of the founding members of the Women's Electoral Lobby and Sisters Publishing Ltd, and was the managing director, and later sole owner, of publisher D W Thorpe Pty Ltd.
- C. The donor gave a major collection of books by and about Australian women, the 'Joyce Thorpe Nicholson Collection,' to the University's Baillieu Library in 2001. It includes rare nineteenth century material, as well as scarce twentieth century political ephemera.
- D. The University accepted the bequest upon the trusts specified by the donor, 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 upon which the University as trustee holds trust property, including the capital sum; and
  - (2) the administrative arrangements for the implementation 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 Joyce Thorpe Nicholson Bequest' ('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-
  - (1) to establish a perpetual trust; and
  - (2) to house, maintain and promote the 'Joyce Thorpe Nicholson Collection', which is held by the Baillieu Library.

**Administrative arrangements**

4. Until its further determination, and in order to implement the trust terms, the University has determined that the income of the fund will be applied for the purposes of housing, maintaining and promoting public and academic engagement with the Joyce Thorpe Nicholson Collection ('Collection'), including but not limited to providing research fellowships, annual lectures and exhibitions in relation to the Collection, and to funding the digitisation, conservation and acquisition of items to complement the Collection.
5. The University Librarian is authorised to apply the income of the fund on behalf of the University, in accordance with this University trust record.