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Mission Statement

Our mission

Feminist Legal Clinic’s mission is to advance the cause of feminism and champion the human rights of women and girls by providing legal support to feminist organisations, groups and services and the women who access them.

Our vision

Our vision is a world where women and their children are liberated from discrimination, exploitation, abuse and violence and the empowerment of women and girls is prioritised and achieved in every sphere of their lives. Core to this vision is ensuring that all women and girls are free to enjoy the status, independence and power necessary to participate equally in private and public decision-making, and control and share equitably in all economic, social, cultural and political resources and capital.

Our objectives

Our work is directed toward recognising women’s agency and giving voice to the lived experiences of all women and girls in order to drive systemic and cultural change that promotes and improves women’s individual and collective access to quality legal support and services, and the universal fulfilment of women’s human rights, their legal entitlements and delivery to women of just outcomes. We seek to progress feminist projects and activities on behalf of clients and our partners, and to pro-actively campaign and drive a feminist agenda for connecting policy and practice, and educating the community and profession. We are committed to developing and building strong collaborative networks and partnerships, including with universities and students, practitioners, the legal profession and other community justice services, to pursue our mission and vision in advancing the feminist cause. We intend to work towards this through undertaking a mix of targeted casework, law and policy reform, strategic research and advocacy projects, and promoting community and professional engagement, training and education.

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Management Committee

Anna Kerr Principal Solicitor & Public Officer (14/3/17 -)

Anna has been a practising solicitor for over 25 years and has worked in a wide range of community legal services. She is a member of Legal Aid’s Domestic Violence Practitioner Scheme and is the country contact for the Declaration on Women’s Sex-Based Rights.

Dr Helen Pringle Committee Member (19/3/19 -)

Helen is Associate Professor at the School of Social Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, UNSW. Her research interests are in human rights and justice (with a focus on questions of sex and gender), including a project concerning the place of pornography within considerations of free speech.

Bronwyn Williams Committee Member (21/6/19 -)

Bronwyn is a retired lawyer and social worker and member of Women Speak Tasmania which is a network of activists focused on preserving women’s spaces, services, groups and facilities, opposing the increasing sexualisation and objectification of women and girls, exposing the harms of the global sex trade and surrogacy as violations of women’s human rights and ending male violence against girls and women.

Dr Catherine Lynch Committee Member (28/3/19 -)

Catherine is a lawyer and vice president of Adoptee Rights Australia, Inc. who researches Australia’s history of maternal-neonatal separation and its current expressions in child protection, adoption and surrogacy. She is a founding member of Abolish Surrogacy Australia (ABSA), a member of Tangled Webs and the Coalition for Accurate Birth Records and fights for the voices of people traumatised by being separated from their mothers at or near birth to be heard.



Ann Reynolds Treasurer (24/8/19 – 7/12/21)

Ann is a Wikipedia editor extraordinaire and operates FLC’s Women Write Wiki project and is also a member of the WikiProject Women in Red. She was also FLC’s membership officer.

Janet Fraser Convenor & Committee Member (3/4/20 –)

Janet has been the National Convenor of Joyous Birth, the Australian homebirth network since 2004. She cofounded the NSW Women’s Guild in 2019. Her book, “Born Still: a memoir of grief” was published by Spinifex Press in 2020. She writes for Patreon at Despatches From The Matriarchy <https://www.patreon.com/despatches>.

Elizabeth Johnson Committee Member (24/11/20 –)

Elizabeth has a Bachelor of Laws with Honours and a Master of Laws from Melbourne University and has practised law primarily in the areas of crime and family law for over three decades. More recently she was engaged as a commonwealth principal federal prosecutor for five years and has been a barrister for over 10 years. She is a feminist and particularly interested in the safeguarding of children and protection of women’s sex based rights.

Marianne Bryant Treasurer (7/12/2021 -)

Marianne is self-employed as a waterfront planner having completed postgraduate studies at Macquarie University (2017) and Sydney University (2020) in urban planning & environmental law. Prior to that, she freelanced as a bookkeeper and office manager. Marianne is also the FLC’s membership officer.

“Despite living in an affluent country, Australian women continue to experience extensive sex-based disadvantage, including workforce discrimination and pay inequity, sexual and reproductive coercion and exploitation, and high levels of male violence and abuse”

Joint NGO Submission on behalf of the Women’s Human Rights Campaign for consideration by the Commission on the Status of Women – July 2021

Convenor's Report

The committee has continued to meet throughout the last financial year and we were sad to lose Ann Reynolds from our number but also glad to welcome Marianne Bryant. Our eviction from the Glebe premises has meant that we are meeting only online now which is both a plus in terms of reducing travel but a shame because face to face meetings are always such a terrific boost.



There is increasing complexity to the political landscape for women and girls in Australia so we are always looking for ways to improve how FLC can support the clients who contact our service. We continue to discuss a range of issues from the best way to deliver web content to the achievement of DGR status as well as our ongoing search for a regular coordinator for our many excellent volunteers.

Janet Fraser
Convenor

Principal Solicitor's Report

Following the eviction from our premises by our landlord, the City of Sydney Council, our service has faced further threats to our existence. This action by the Council led Legal Aid NSW to write and threaten my removal from all Legal Aid panels and court rosters. Fortunately we were able to successfully resist this threat, but there is no doubt our service has suffered significant damage on account of these actions taken by Council.

Since then I have faced further challenges to my reputation within the NSW Greens who have made false and defamatory claims, not only against me personally but also Feminist Legal Clinic Inc. and Women's Declaration International. We have sent a concerns letter and the offending material has been taken down but this has done little to ameliorate the damage.

The time and energy taken to defend these attacks have been a significant distraction from our core work.

I faced a personal challenge during this period as my elderly mother had a fall late in 2021 and it became imperative that she have full-time care. Juggling my responsibilities to my family of four children in Sydney and the care of my mother in Port Stephens has meant that I have had to reduce the work I undertake on behalf of Feminist Legal Clinic Inc. My personal situation is of course typical for many women in my age group who struggle with competing family and professional responsibilities and has given me further insight into the challenges faced by carers.

Anna Kerr
Principal Solicitor

Report on activities

Casework

Feminist Legal Clinic continues to provide legal advice, representation and support in cases where other free legal services are unwilling or unable to assist.

Our database records that during 2021-2022 our office has had over 131 contacts with clients by email or telephone where we have provided basic advice/information/referral. This is in addition to the advice I provided on court rosters as a member of Legal Aid's Domestic Violence Practitioner Scheme. It also does not include the non-legal support work carried out by our Women's Court Support Service in the Sydney Family Court.

In addition to the short advices we provide by telephone and email we also have more than 3 dozen open client files for individuals requiring ongoing assistance. These files consist mainly of cases requiring domestic violence advocacy or which relate to discrimination claims, as well as some files involving work on behalf of women's

groups and organisations. Summaries of some of our higher profile cases are provided below but the details of most of our cases are necessarily confidential.

In the past year our service is reaching considerably more people with over 20,000 visitors to our website, with over 2,500 visitors in the later months of 2021-2022 financial year. This apparently puts us in the top 15% of websites which is impressive considering that we have no funding and extremely limited resources. It also demonstrates a high demand for the information that we are providing through our website.

We also undertake law reform and community legal education work which arises out of our casework and is undertaken to address the systemic causes of women's disadvantage and distress. Details of this work can also be found in the links to our submissions and articles following.

Beth Rep v Bridget Clinch

ACAT finds debate about the nature of trans women is in the public interest



We finally received the decision in Beth Rep's appeal on 3 November 2021, after over a year of deliberations. The ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal ("ACAT") partly upheld Beth Rep's appeal against the original decision by the Tribunal in Clinch v Rep, which found her responsible for unlawful vilification on the grounds of gender identity.

The Tribunal decided that it did have the extraterritorial power to accept a complaint from Bridget Clinch, a transgender Queensland resident against Canberra based newsreader Beth Rep. However, it found that the original Tribunal erred in finding that there had been any victimisation of Clinch.

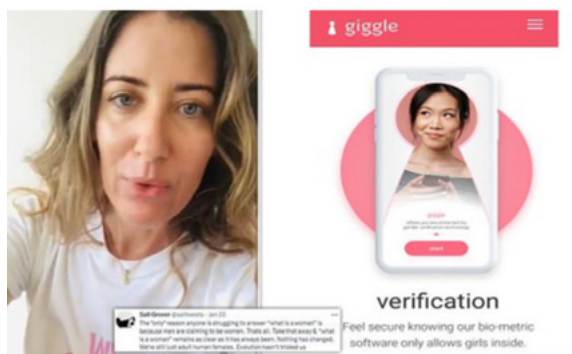
The Tribunal also found that only 9 of the 46 social media posts complained about by Clinch could be considered

to constitute vilification. Of these only 2 were posted by Beth Rep herself, although the Tribunal also found her responsible for 7 posts made by other individuals commenting on her social media page. Details of the posts are discussed in the Tribunal decision which is available on legal databases.

The Tribunal accepted arguments that "discussion and debate on the nature and position of trans women" is in the public interest. It also found that "calling a trans woman a man will not necessarily be vilification" and that the original Tribunal acted inappropriately in making injunctions that required Beth Rep to refrain from all future posting on the subject. The Tribunal halved the compensation awarded to Clinch to \$5000 and, although this result is still extremely unsatisfactory, Beth decided against lodging a further appeal due to the costs and risks involved.

Beth stated: "This claim against me by Clinch has burdened me for the past 4 years and has resulted in the loss of my employment and has impacted negatively on my health. I need it to be over. Despite this failure by the legal system to protect women's freedom of speech, I hope others will continue to find the courage to speak up and defend our sex-based rights."

Tickle v Giggle



This case involved a discrimination claim by trans activist Roxanne Tickle against our clients, Giggle Pty Ltd and its CEO Sall Grover, for their efforts to provide an app that creates a safe space online for women and girls to network free of male harassment.

Tickle, who identifies as female but was born male, was denied access to the female only social media app, Giggle for Girls, and originally made a complaint to the Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC) alleging discrimination on the ground of gender identity. When it became apparent conciliation would not eventuate, the claim was terminated by the AHRC and Tickle initiated proceedings in the Federal Circuit Court.

This matter attracted media coverage, including articles in the Spectator and the Weekend Australian, before the proceedings were suddenly discontinued by Tickle before the first court date on 8 July 2022, thankfully allowing Sall to focus on having her baby due on 10 July 2022.



Jessica Hoyle v Tasmanian Anti-Discrimination Commissioner

Jessica Hoyle made an application to Equal Opportunity Tasmania for an exemption under the Anti-Discrimination Act 1998 (Tas) to hold a lesbian event for females only at a club in Launceston, Tasmania.

The application was rejected by the Tasmanian Anti-Discrimination Commissioner, Sarah Bolt, on the basis that to grant it would allow discrimination against persons with the protected attribute of 'gender identity'. FLC is representing Jessica in pursuing a review of this decision and we are currently still awaiting the decision in the matter by the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (TASCAT).

We are also representing Jessica in relation to a complaint to the Anti-Discrimination Commissioner in relation to an incident when she was called a TERF and asked to leave the store by a member of Target staff.



“Gender ideology should not be elevated above the human rights of women and children. Biological sex is real, as is women’s vulnerability, to male violence”

Short survey submission to Consultation Draft – National Principles to Address Coercive Control – 11 November 2022.

Case of Jay Langadinos



On 6 May 2022 proceedings were filed in the NSW Supreme Court in the case of Jay Langadinos who is suing the psychiatrist Patrick Toohey who fast-tracked her onto hormones and into having a mastectomy and hysterectomy. We have been supporting Jay Langadinos for several years and referred her to medical negligence lawyer Anne Shortall at Slater & Gordon who has previously run similar negligence cases. We are continuing to support Jay through the arduous litigation process.



Domestic violence practice

We cannot share identifying details of our domestic violence clients. However, we have advised and represented many women unfairly named as defendants in domestic violence proceedings, and have also been engaged in bringing private AVO applications in circumstances where the police have been unwilling to act.

Although NSW domestic violence legislation recognises in its objects that domestic violence is predominantly perpetrated by men against women and children, and that it involves the exploitation of power imbalances and patterns of abuse over many years, in practice magistrates can be extremely resistant to take into account these realities.

In one of our recent cases it took 2 years and 10 court appearances, including 3 hearing dates, the issuing of subpoenas and the service of over 300 pages of evidence, to obtain simple apprehended violence orders for the protection of our client and her children. This was even though the defendant’s criminal history included a domestic violence offence against a previous wife and allegations of sexual abuse by 6 children, including both his own and some of his students. This history was sufficiently serious that the authorities had previously intervened in my client’s life to remove her new born baby for fear of the risk of sexual harm posed by the father. However, now that she was seeking an AVO of her own volition there was no support from the system.

Women with indigenous backgrounds or who have limited English are particularly vulnerable. There is no disclosure scheme currently in place to warn women of their partner’s criminal history and there are strong religious, cultural and financial pressures that discourage them from going to the police.

Following is a listing of our submissions, articles, presentations and media mentions during the 2021/2022 financial year. Links to all this material can be accessed through our website.

Submissions

Submission to Select Committee on Social Media and Online Safety, Parliament of Australia, Submission 89, February 2022

[Responses to Survey: Draft National Plan to End Violence against Women and Children 2022-2032](#), February 2022

[Submission to Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights on Religious Discrimination Bill](#), 19 December 2021

Submission to Review of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984 by the Law Reform Commission of Western Australia, 29 October 2021

Submission to Te Aka Matua o te Ture | Law Commission's Review of Surrogacy, 23 September 2021

[Submission to the Commission on the Status of Women regarding Human Rights Infringements in the Australian Family Court](#), 30 July 2021

[Submission to the Commission on the Status of Women on violation of our rights as women human rights defenders to freedom of expression and assembly](#), 30 July 2021

[Submission to the Commission on the Status of Women on behalf of the Women's Human Rights Campaign](#) (originally submitted in June 2020 to OHCHR), July 2021

Articles

[“Collateral damage”: The invasion of Ukraine reminds us of the cost of surrogacy, and who pays the price](#), Helen Pringle (FLC) and Renate Klein, 8 March 2022

[UNSynced: United Nations Out of Sync with Grassroots Global Feminists](#), FiLIA, February 2022

Presentations

[Legal Action– or how to Battle the Patriarchy. A presentation to Women's Declaration International](#), Feminist Question Time, 19 March 2022 ([You Tube](#); [Archive](#), [Anchor](#))

[Launch of Renée Gerlich's book, *Out Of The Fog: on politics, feminism and coming alive*](#), Spinifex Press, launched by Janet Fraser. 24 October 2022

[#TERF talk Speakers: Angie Jones, Stassja Frei, Janet Fraser](#): recent case law on medically altering children's bodies in Australia. 23 September 2022

[IWD Brisbane Meanjin, Janet Fraser, Who said self ID was a good idea?](#) An Australian and international round up of self ID failures and their effect on women. 30 May 2022

[We need to #BreakTheBias that favours “trans inclusion” over the rights and welfare of women](#), Speakers: Rachael Wong, Kath Deves, Stassja Frei and Anna Kerr, Women's Forum, 8 March 2022

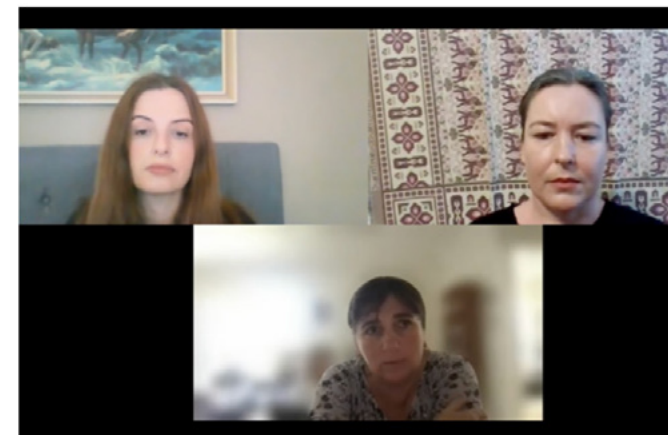


[Feminist Legal Clinic – Our Story](#) – Speakers: Bronwyn Williams and Anna Kerr – prepared for IWD Meanjin, 8 March 2022

[Trigger Warning” by Sheila Jeffreys discussed by Janet Fraser \(FLC\) and Caroline Norma](#), 7 March 2022



[TERF Talk #19, TERF Talk Downunder](#), 18 February 2022



Helen Pringle presents at the South Australian Select Committee on Statutes Amendment (Repeal of Sex Work Offences) Bill, 6 December 2021

[Book launch at The Women's Library of Women Unsilenced by Jeanne Sarson and Linda MacDonald](#), 23 October 2021

Anna Kerr [“UN bodies are being extensively manipulated by monied interests” Unsynced – United Nations out of sync with grassroots feminists](#), FQT at FiLIA, 17 October 2021 ([FQT shorts](#), [Archive](#), [Anchor](#))

[Oral submission on the Inquiry into Supplementary Order Paper 59 on the Births, Deaths, Marriages and Relationships Registration Bill](#), New Zealand Parliament, 29 September 2021

[Catherine Lynch and Anna Kerr speaking on the need to ban surrogacy](#) at the [Symposium on the child's right to Identity in assisted reproductive technology](#), 14 September 2021 (Catherine from 7.03 and Anna Kerr from 15.45)

[Anna Kerr with updates on Feminist Legal Clinic and WHRC Australia](#), Women's Human Rights Campaign, Feminist Question Time, Saturday 4 September 2021. ([You Tube](#), [FQT Shorts](#), [Archive](#), [Anchor](#))

Media Releases

[Report on WDI Survey Results for Federal Election](#), 20 May 2022

[Political parties failing to protect Women's Sex-Based Rights](#), 13 April 2022

[Update on case of Jessica Hoyle v Tasmanian Anti-Discrimination Commissioner](#), 10 March 2022

[Chandler's Bill to Save Women's Sport is a step in the right direction](#), 25 February 2022

[ACAT decision finds debate on the nature of trans women is in the public interest](#), November 2021

Media Mentions

[Ousted Greens convenor defiant amid party's trans row](#), The Age/[SMH](#), 25 June 2022 ([pdf](#))

[Two Women Ejected from Australian Green Party for 'Transphobia'](#), 4W Newsletter, 23 June 2022 ([pdf](#))

[Feminists decry bully Greens](#), The Australian, 22 June 2022

[Greens dump new convenor over trans comments](#), The Age & [SMH](#), 18 June 2022 ([pdf](#))

[EXCLUSIVE: Astonishing moment transgender paramedic who was born male 'breastfeeds' her newborn baby after wife gives birth – as critics say only women can produce milk](#), Daily Mail, 29 May 2022

[Women's Group sends Anti-Trans Survey to Candidates](#), Star Observer, 13 May 2022

No 'breastfeeding' or 'pregnant mothers' under Labor policies. Daily Telegraph, 6 May 2022

[They've all gone potty – Women's group bans “transphobic” JK Rowling](#), Daily Telegraph, 3 March 2022

[Trans-inclusive push to remove the word 'mother' criticised at new hospital unit](#), Daily Telegraph, 9 February 2022

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[Greens provoke outrage for ‘erasing’ women in pregnancy](#), Daily Telegraph, 8 December 2021

[Calling a trans woman a man ‘not necessarily vilification’, a Canberra court has ruled](#), The Australian, 26 November 2021

[Trans women allowed to enter NSW Woman of the Year awards](#), Daily Telegraph, 8 September 2021

[Why single-sex spaces are a battlefield for transgender rights](#), The Age (&SMH), 28 August 2021

[Eleventh-hour bid to save women’s charity](#), Sky News, 18 August 2021

[Last-minute bid to save women’s charity from eviction](#), Sky News, 18 August 2021

[ABS on a gender bender](#), The Daily Telegraph, 13 August 2021

[Biological Sex in Sydney](#), The Critic, 3 August 2021

[Sydney Lord Mayor downgrades feminist legal clinic](#), NT News, July 2021

[EXPOSED: City of Sydney evicts legal service for vulnerable women and girls for holding biological sex matters](#), The Spectator, 30 July 2021

[City of Sydney Council revoking legal clinic grant “a serious misuse of power”](#), news.com.au, 29 July 2021

[Women’s charity given boot over claim biological sex is real](#), Daily Telegraph, 28 July 2021

[City of Sydney serves Eviction Notice to Transphobic Feminist Legal Clinic](#), Star Observer, 27 July 2021

[Feminist Legal Clinic evicted for posting anti-trans websites](#), Sydney Morning Herald, 25 July 2021

[“You can kill nan, unless she identifies as a man”](#), Daily Telegraph, 24 July 2021, p15

[City of Sydney Council evicts legal service for vulnerable women and girls](#), Women’s Forum Australia, 12 July 2021

“When males can claim to have changed their sex to female as a matter of law, but not biology, otherwise exempt single sex services, spaces and sport can no longer be maintained in a manner that promotes the safety, wellbeing and welfare of women and girls”

Chandler’s Bill to Save Women’s Sport is a step in the right direction – Media Release – 25 February 2022

Project Reports

Women’s Court Support Service

As a result of the lockdown restrictions and then our Principal Solicitor being on leave from Sydney for most of the year, the face to face service we have been able to provide in the Sydney Family Court has been minimal this financial year, although we have continued to provide email and telephone support to women in need. The women with whom we’ve had face to face contact have found it beneficial and our volunteers also find the work satisfying and enriching. We would love to find more women keen to take on this role.

Although our Women’s Court Support Service continues to be largely suspended from operation in the Sydney Family Court, we continue our work supporting mothers in other ways. We have been recruited to join the international Hague Mothers project recently established by FiLiA and we are also continuing to correspond with the Chief Justice to achieve change.

We acknowledge the support of Sydney Family Court for providing the office space for the Women’s Court Support Service and look forward to making greater use of this space in the coming year.



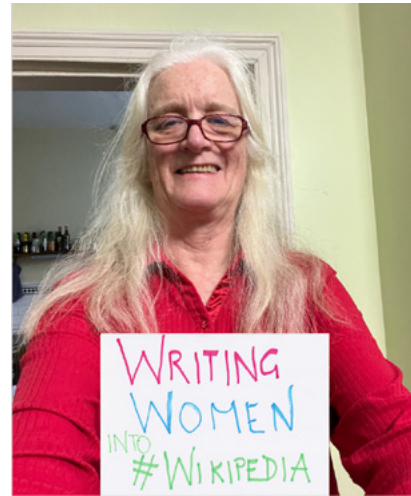
Women Write Wiki



As leader of this group, I was honoured to receive an [Edna Ryan Award](#) in the community activism category for 2021.

In 2021-2022 WWW members have created 158 bios of women, plus articles on [Safe Access Zone](#), the [Indigenous Literacy Foundation](#) (founded by a woman) and the [NSW Schoolhouse Museum](#). Also, all fillies and mares that have won the Melbourne Cup now have Wikipedia articles.

To entertain WWW members during lockdown, I created a series of six multiple choice quizzes using photos from Wikimedia Commons. When shared at our online meetings in July-September last year, it was fun to see who was able to guess the occupation by how the women were dressed, which was sometimes deliberately misleading. It was also interesting to discuss the women's contribution to Australian history.



Members have assisted at a number of editathons during the year, both in person and online, including one organised by [WikiProject Women in Red](#) to celebrate [Ada Lovelace Day](#) which ran around the world for 24 hours, beginning and ending with New Zealand. We have also participated in [#1Lib1Ref](#) in May/June, where librarians are shown how to add references to Wikipedia.

New members are welcome and personalised individual training is available. Please email me ann.reynolds@wikimedia.org.au

Ann Reynolds
Women Write Wiki Coordinator

Women's Declaration International (previously Women's Human Rights Campaign)

Feminist Legal Clinic Inc. has continued our work on behalf of the Women's Declaration International (WDI), which is the new name of the Women's Human Rights Campaign (WHRC). This group was compelled to change its name by threatened legal action by the Human Rights Campaign which is an organisation based in the United States and which operates as a major front for the dissemination of trans ideology.

We continued to host monthly webinars on behalf of Australia and New Zealand. During this year these were largely chaired and organised by our convenor Janet Fraser, with assistance from Anna Kerr and Kate Williamson.

We would also like to acknowledge the support we receive from members of our WDI working group here in Australia, who co-ordinated a survey of political candidates to gauge their commitment to women's sex-based rights in advance of the Federal Election in May 2022. The responses were disappointing, to say the least, demonstrating that radical feminists are currently politically homeless.

Members have also been active in campaigning for the ABC to do its job as national broadcaster and provide balanced media coverage of the impact of trans ideology on the human rights of women and children.



We also thank members of the international group with special mention to Rosa who sends out our invitations, Vaishnavi for her excellent editing of the recordings, Jo Brew for her tireless efforts making everything happen and Sheila Jeffreys for ongoing inspiration.

Finally, we thank our wonderful panellists through the year and here follows a listing of the details of all webinars that were held:

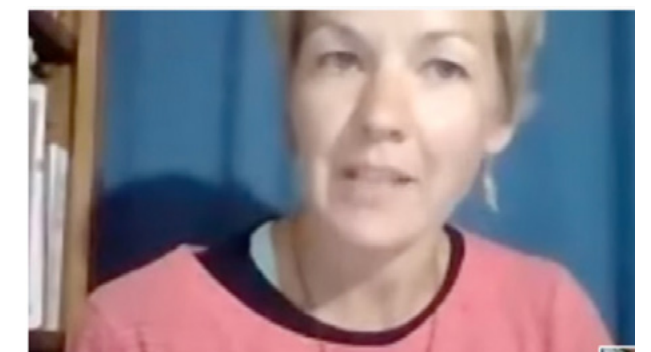
Women's Declaration International (Aus/NZ) Webinar – speakers Anna McCormack, Yolanda Forster, Jasmine Sussex, hosted by Janet Fraser, 25 June 2022

Women's Declaration International (Aus/NZ) Webinar – speakers Tessa Kowaliw, Leisa Masters, [Jill Ovens](#) hosted by Anna Kerr 28 May 2022

Women's Declaration International (Aus/NZ) Webinar – speakers Nerissa Assiren, Sand Hall and Karyn Lisignoli hosted by Janet Fraser, 30 April 2022 ([You Tube](#), [Archive](#), [Anchor](#))



Women's Declaration International (Aus/NZ) Webinar – speakers Stassja Frei, Anna Kerr, Jocelyne Scutt, Suan Hawthorne and Renee Gerlich hosted by Janet Fraser, 27 March 2022. ([You Tube](#), [Archive](#), [Anchor](#))



[Women's Declaration International \(Aus/NZ\) Webinar](#) – speakers [Eilean Haley](#), [Chris Sitka](#), [Viviane Morrigan](#) and [M](#) hosted by Janet Fraser, 28 February 2022 ([archive](#) and [anchor](#))

Acknowledgements

[Women's Declaration International \(Aus/NZ\) Webinar](#) – speakers Sandra Pertot and Viviane Morrigan hosted by Janet Fraser, 29 January 2022. ([archive](#) and [anchor](#))

[Women's Human Rights Campaign \(Aus/NZ\) Webinar](#) – speakers Jessica William, Jeanne Sarson and Linda MacDonald hosted by Janet Fraser, 27 November 2021. ([archive](#) and [anchor](#))

[Women's Human Rights Campaign \(Aus/NZ\) Webinar](#) – speakers [Linda Blade](#), [Ro Edge](#) and [Kath Deves](#) hosted by Janet Fraser, 30 October 2021 ([archive](#) and [anchor](#))

[Women's Human Rights Campaign \(Aus/NZ\) Webinar](#) – speakers [Virginia Mansel Lees](#), [Michelle Uriarau](#) and [Caroline Norma](#) hosted by Janet Fraser, 25 September 2021 ([archive](#) and [anchor](#))

[Women's Human Rights Campaign \(Aus/NZ\) Webinar](#) – Speakers [Beth Johnson](#), [Di Landy](#), [Jan Rivers](#) and [Prue Hyman](#), discussing **Attacks on women's sex-based rights in New Zealand**, hosted by Janet B, 31 August 2021 ([archive](#) and [podcast](#))

[Women's Human Rights Campaign \(Aus/NZ\) Webinar](#) – Speakers Professor [Bronwyn Winter](#), [Madeleine Valdor](#), [Jessica Hoyle](#) and [Anna Kerr](#) discussing Articles 4 and 5 of the Declaration on freedom of expression and assembly, hosted by Janet Fraser of Feminist Legal Clinic, 31 July 2021 ([archive](#) and [podcast](#))

Aside from our wonderful management committee members, we would like to acknowledge the work and support of our other volunteers during the 2021/2022 year.

In past Annual Reports we have named and thanked our many volunteers, collaborators and supporters of FLC. However, in view of the considerable persecution being experienced by women who are publicly identified as supporters of women's sex-based rights, we will refrain from listing their names here. However, we deeply appreciate their contributions and look forward to a time when it will again be safe to publicly acknowledge their efforts.

“ Mothers who make allegations of domestic violence and/or child abuse against the fathers of their children are routinely accused in the Family Court of being deceitful or delusional and of engaging in parental alienation ”

Submission to the Commission on the Status of Women regarding Human Rights Infringements in the Australian Family Court - 30 July 2021

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report for the 2022 Annual General Meeting of the FLC

For the financial year ending 30 June 2022, the Feminist Legal Clinic received just under \$13,000 in income. This income comprised a combination of membership payments, donations and interest.

Membership income held steady from the previous year. Donations more than doubled from the previous financial year. Both figures demonstrate a strong wish on the part of members, clients and the public to support the activities of the FLC in the face of much pressure.

As at 30 June 2022 our account with Bendigo Bank had a balance of \$10,574 and the PayPal account balance was \$1,087.

There are no mortgages, charges or securities of any description affecting any part of the property of the Association as at 30 June 2022.

I hereby submit the Profit and Loss Statement and Balance Sheet for the year ended 30 June 2022 in accordance with this report.

Marianne Bryant

Treasurer

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE MANGEMENT COMMITTEE OF

Feminist Legal Clinic Incorporated
ABN 51 879 580 577

The Committee have determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The Committee have determined that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the accounts.

In the opinion of the Committee the financial statements:

1. Present fairly the financial position of Feminist Legal Clinic Incorporated as at 30 June 2022 and the results of the association for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Feminist Legal Clinic Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with the resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



Marianne Bryant

Treasurer

Dated: 17 November 2022

Feminist Legal Clinic Incorporated

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2022

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICY

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act N.S.W. 2009. The Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared on an accrual basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuates of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

a) Income Tax

The Association is exempt from income tax.

b) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative information has been reclassified to achieve consistency in disclosure with current year amounts and other disclosures.

FEMINIST LEGAL CLINIC INC.
PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT

Period ending 1 July 2021 – 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
Income		
Donations	\$ 10,788	\$ 5,220
Membership fees	\$ 2,180	\$ 2,140
Grants from Government	\$ -	\$ (36)
Contributions from Government	\$ -	\$ 36
Interest & fees collected	\$ 31	\$ 1
Total Income	\$ 12,999	\$ 7,361
Expenditure		
Advertising & Promotion	\$ -	\$ -
Bank charges	\$ 405	\$ 260
Computer expenses	\$ -	\$ -
Digital Items	\$ 150	\$ 28
Fees & Permits	\$ -	\$ 87
Insurance	\$ 3,154	\$ 1,452
Membership Fees paid	\$ 361	\$ 435
Office equipment & supplies	\$ 80	\$ -
Postage, freight & couriers	\$ 42	\$ 136
Telephone, website & internet	\$ 233	\$ 81
Training & development	\$ 1,832	\$ -
Total Expenditure	\$ 6,258	\$ 2,479
Operating Surplus	\$ 6,741	\$ 4,882

FINANCIAL BALANCE SHEET
 for the year ended 30 JUNE 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Assets		
Current Assets		
Bendigo Bank	\$ 10,574	\$ 3,501
PayPal	\$ 1,087	\$ 1,419
<i>Total Current Assets</i>	<i>\$ 11,661</i>	<i>\$ 4,920</i>
Total Assets	\$ 11,661	\$ 4,920
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		\$ -
Total Liabilities	\$ -	\$ -
Equity		
Retained Earnings	\$ 4,920	\$ 38
Current Year Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 6,741	\$ 4,882
Total Equity	\$ 11,661	\$ 4,920



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