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The legal heritage and traditions shared between Australia and the United Kingdom represent the oldest links between the two countries, dating from 1788 when Captain Phillip landed in New South Wales, bringing with him instructions to administer the laws of England in the new colony. Now, well over two centuries later, the basis of the relationship has remained enduring and strong, although some change has occurred in the practical functioning of the system.

In recent years, large numbers of Australian and New Zealand lawyers have travelled to the UK to work in areas such as banking, finance and projects in the corporate energy resources, construction and telecommunications sectors. At the same time, British lawyers have widened their experience by working in Australasia.

The Anglo-Australasian Lawyers Society was established in 1998 as a non-profit making unincorporated association with chapters in Australia (Sydney) and London. The Australian Chapter is incorporated under the *Associations Incorporations Act 1984* (NSW). The Victorian branch of the Australian Chapter was subsequently established in 2006. A Chapter in Western Australia was also established in November 2012. The Society aims to maintain and enhance the long-established and active relationship that exists between the legal professions in the three countries. Membership of the Australian Chapter comprises members of the Bench and Bar, solicitors, academics and others whose work brings them in contact with the profession.

The Society provides a platform for seminars on topics of current interest and for talks by distinguished speakers. Most occasions are breakfast functions held at a convenient CBD location, are accredited for CPD / MCLE purposes and conclude promptly by 9.00am.

Guest speakers in recent years have included the Hon Robert French AC (former Chief Justice of Australia), the Hon Murray Gleeson AC (former Chief Justice of Australia), Michael Kirby AC CMG (former Justice of the High Court of Australia), the Hon M J Beazley AO, (Governor of New South Wales and former President of the Court of Appeal), Ruth McColl AO (former Justice of Appeal, NSW Court of Appeal), James Allsop AC (former Chief Justice of the Federal Court of Australia), the Rt Hon Lord Walker of Gestingthorpe (former Justice of the UK Supreme Court), the Rt Hon Dominic Grieve QC (then Attorney General for England and Wales), the Rt Hon Lord Judge (former Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales), the Rt Hon Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury (former President of the UK Supreme Court), the Rt Hon Lady Arden of Heswall (Justice of the UK Supreme Court) and Lord Sales (Justice of the UK Supreme Court).

Representatives of the Australian judiciary and of the Australian Bar are regularly invited to speak at meetings of the UK Chapter of the Society in London. Also, Society members travelling to Britain are provided on request with an introduction to the Society there. Details of the UK chapter can be found in [www.aals.co.uk](http://www.aals.co.uk)