

2017 HIGHLIGHTS

This year has been one full of innovation and excitement. From launching a range of innovative publications, to being named a finalist in the professional services firm of the year, 2017 has been full of highlights. Thanks for coming along for the ride – we couldn't have done it without you!

FIRM NEWS



NEW MANAGING PARTNER

Pieter Oomens took the reins as Managing Partner from January 2017 after the firm's founder Peter Turk retired at the end of 2016 after 35 years.

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FIRM NEWS



SENIOR APPOINTMENTS

We appointed three new partners, a special counsel and five senior associates.

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SEMINARS



LIFE MATTERS SEMINAR SERIES

In 2017, 490 clients attended 10 'Life Matters' seminars in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. The 'Life Matters' seminar series is designed to give our clients a more in-depth opportunity to explore recent developments in life insurance and financial services with TurksLegal experts.

PUBLICATIONS



LIFE GUIDE UPDATE

We released an update to the TurksLegal Life Guide, our innovative and user-friendly digital publication that allows clients to navigate life insurance case law and related concepts through a unique on-line interface.

[Register for The Life Guide](#)

PUBLICATIONS



LIFE CODE SERIES

We launched a four part publication series translating the main elements of the Code from the perspective of the insurer, focused on Claims Complaints and Governance, Product Design and Marketing and New Business and Underwriting.

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OTHER INNOVATIONS



LIFE INSURANCE FUTURE THINKING (LIFT)

TurksLegal and ALUCA hosted its second LIFT Roundtable event attended by industry leaders and TurksLegal Scholarship Alumni. We then proudly launched the whitepaper - "Living the Code- Engendering Trust as a Life Insurance Professional"

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OTHER INNOVATIONS



TURKS HIGHRES

We launched a HighRes advice which is a new, unique short form- advice focused on providing a high level synopsis to clients of a case.

SCHOLARSHIPS



ALUCA TURKSLEGAL SCHOLARSHIP (11TH YEAR)

Jennifer Jackson, Rehabilitation Consultant, Commlnsure, was awarded this year's ALUCA TurksLegal Scholarship for her outstanding essay on genetic testing. Jennifer won an overseas conference package valued up to AU\$8,000 to an international insurance conference.

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SCHOLARSHIPS



ANZIIF TURKSLEGAL SCHOLARSHIP (10TH YEAR)

Fiona Fong, Senior Claims Consultant, Marsh, was awarded this year's ANZIIF TurksLegal Scholarship for her outstanding essay on cyber claims. For her prize, Fiona chose to receive \$5,000 cash and registration to attend the 2018 AICLA/ ANZIIF Claims Convention in Australia.

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SCHOLARSHIPS



WIBF TURKSLEGAL SCHOLARSHIP (4TH YEAR)

Deborah Beec, Director, Australia and New Zealand Banking Group was announced the 2017 TurksLegal WIBF Scholarship winner. Deborah will travel to the United States in April 2018 to participate in The Women's Leadership Program; at the Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia.

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AWARDS



FINALIST PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FIRM OF THE YEAR

We were selected as one of six finalists in the Australian Insurance Industry Awards in the category of Professional Services Firm of the Year.

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AWARDS



FINALIST AUSTRALASIAN LAW AWARDS

We were selected as a finalist in the Australasian Law Awards in the category of Insurance Specialist Firm of the Year.

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AWARDS



2017 BEST LAWYERS IN AUSTRALIA

We received recognition in the 2017 Edition of The Best Lawyers in Australia in the practice area of Insurance Law.

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