

Women in Law winners revealed



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The winners of the 2017 Women in Law Awards have been announced at a gala event in Melbourne.

Lawyers from around the country came together on Friday, 20 October, to celebrate the achievements of the leading women in the legal profession.

Partners and executives, support staff, in-house counsel and law students were among the many exceptional lawyers who took the stage at the Sofitel Melbourne on Collins to receive the rewards of their hard work.

These winners are not just outstanding professionals in their own light, they have also overcome significant gender-based barriers on the road to success. While the profession has come a long way, the pursuit of true equality is a constant challenge, and one actively taken on by many law firms and legal professionals.

It was in this spirit of commitment and congratulation that over 400 lawyers gathered in Melbourne to toast the success of the profession's leading women.

Lawyers Weekly congratulates all the winners and finalists of the 2017 [Women in Law Awards](https://www.lawyersweekly.com.au/women-in-law?utm_source=lawyersweekly.com.au&utm_medium=editorial&utm_campaign=winnersanr) (https://www.lawyersweekly.com.au/women-in-law?utm_source=lawyersweekly.com.au&utm_medium=editorial&utm_campaign=winnersanr)

View the full list of finalists [here](https://www.lawyersweekly.com.au/women-in-law/winners/2017-winners?utm_source=lawyersweekly.com.au&utm_medium=editorial&utm_campaign=winnersanr) (https://www.lawyersweekly.com.au/women-in-law/winners/2017-winners?utm_source=lawyersweekly.com.au&utm_medium=editorial&utm_campaign=winnersanr)

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Cathy Sherry

UNSW Sydney

Barrister of the Year

Katherine Brazenor

Victorian Bar

Dealmaker of the Year

Gina Cass-Gottlieb

Gilbert + Tobin

Executive of the Year

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General Counsel of the Year

Katrina Johnson

Uber Asia-Pacific

HR Professional of the Year

Clare Monger

K&L Gates

In-House Lawyer of the Year

Fiona Harding

Bank of Queensland

Law Student of the Year

Marija Yelavich

Western Sydney University

Marketing Communications Executive of the Year

Rebecca Hanlan

Maurice Blackburn Lawyers

Mentor of the Year

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Not-for-profit Lawyer of the Year

Angela Lynch (pictured left in photo above)

Women's Legal Service Queensland

Partner of the Year

Melissa Fenton

Colin Biggers & Paisley

Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year

Amy Burton

Salvos Legal Humanitarian

Senior Associate of the Year

Maria Panos

Henry Davis York

Sole Practitioner of the Year

Jennifer Hetherington

Hetherington Family Law

Special Counsel of the Year

Jennifer Harris

Clayton Utz

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Anne-Marie Cade

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Young Gun of the Year

Hannah Morris

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Boutique Diversity Law Firm of the Year

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Women in Law Excellence Award

Angela Lynch (pictured left in photo above)

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