

New Zealand Law Society CLANZ

The New Zealand Law Society's CLANZ (Corporate Lawyers Association of New Zealand) Section supports and represents the interests of over 2,300 in-house counsel – over 20% of the New Zealand legal profession. CLANZ members are lawyers who work in corporate, state sector, local government, academic, not for profit and other organisations.

OBJECTIVES

As a Law Society Section, CLANZ recognises the distinct interests and needs of lawyers who provide professional services to their organisations. Key CLANZ goals are to:

- meet the needs of in-house lawyers by providing members with resources and networks to better serve their organisations;
- promote the value of in-house lawyers and demonstrate their multi-faceted roles;
- provide leadership to those providing in-house legal services;
- offer up-to-date information on national and international trends in the provision of in-house legal service;
- identify and develop professional development opportunities; and
- act as the voice and public face of in-house lawyers in New Zealand.

GOVERNANCE

CLANZ governance is through the CLANZ committee, which is led by an 8-member Executive Committee, consisting of the president, two vice-presidents, executive officer,

treasurer, secretary, conference director and communications director. CLANZ's executive office and administrative support are resourced through the New Zealand Law Society.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS AND ACTIVITIES

Practising in-house lawyers who are members of the New Zealand Law Society qualify for full CLANZ membership. There are two categories of membership: ordinary and premium. Ordinary CLANZ members pay no fee to belong and receive the monthly eCLANZ newsletter and functions invitations, may vote at the AGM and stand for committee election.

CLANZ premium members pay a fee and are entitled to other benefits as well as those available to ordinary members. Premium membership enables access to the CLANZ-Bell Gully *Essential Guide to In-House Practice*, which is an online practice guide specifically developed for New Zealand in-house lawyers. Premium members also get preferential registration and discounts at CLANZ events. This includes a substantial discount at CLANZ's signature event, its annual 2-day conference.

CLANZ offers associate membership to people with an interest in and affiliation with in-house legal practice.

ALLIANCES

Recognising the affinities between in-house counsel worldwide, CLANZ has a formal International Co-operation Agreement with ACLA (Australian Corporate Lawyers Association), CCCA (Canadian Corporate Counsel Association), HKCCA (Hong Kong Corporate Counsel Association), CLASA (Corporate Lawyers Association of South Africa) and MCCA (Malaysian Corporate Counsel Association).

CLANZ can provide resources and contacts for members in each of these jurisdictions.

FURTHER INFORMATION

CLANZ's website is located at <http://www.clanzonline.org/>. CLANZ can be contacted via the "Get in Touch" button on its website homepage or emailing clanz@lawsociety.org.nz or by phoning (04) 463 2966.

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