The Honourable Barry Connell

Bar Roll No 632

It is with deep regret that the Bar Council informs members of the death on Tuesday 21 May 2013 of Professor the Honourable Henry Barry (universally known as Barry) Connell. He was 84, having been born on 7 June 1928.

Barry came to Melbourne Grammar School on several scholarships. He played in the First XI and the First XVIII.

He matriculated in 1946, winning a Non-Resident Exhibition to Trinity College within the University of Melbourne. He graduated with an Honours Arts Degree in Political Science and a Dip. Ed.

In 1958, he returned to study Law, and tutored in Political Science. He was admitted to practice in March 1961 and came straight to the Bar, reading with the late R L Gilbert.

Barry worked in the Advisings Branch of the Commonwealth Attorney-General’s Department for 3 years; and was then an Associate Professor of Law at Monash for more than 25 years.

He remained on the List of Victorian Practising Counsel until his appointment in February 2001 as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Nauru. He retired in 2006. He was a member of our Bar for more than 52 years.

Funeral details will be advised as soon as they become known.

23 May 2013

Fiona McLeod
Chair