Professor Phyllis Tharenou, Executive Dean invites you to attend the

2012 Dean Jaensch Lecture to be presented by

Professor George Williams AO

Can South Australia Legislate for Marriage Equality?

The Federal Parliament’s rejection of same sex marriage has led to calls for the States to act. The first attempt has been made in Tasmania, where a same-sex marriage bill passed its lower house, only to fail in its upper house by two votes. Moves are also afoot in NSW, with a new cross-party group promising to work together to achieve reform.

State recognition of same-sex marriage raises fundamental questions about Australia’s Constitution and federal system of government. In the absence of national action, could South Australia be the first to allow same sex couples to marry?

Professor George Williams is one of Australia’s leading constitutional lawyers and public commentators.

To be held on

Thursday, 22 November – 5.45pm for 6pm

Flinders University Victoria Square
182 Victoria Square, Level 1 (cnr. Flinders Street)

Refreshments and finger food will follow the one-hour lecture
Registration essential by 20 November 2012 at: flinders.edu.au/events