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'Protecting Human Rights in a Time of Terror: The Role of National and International Law" 🚨
V Crnic-Grotic and M Matulovic (eds), International Law and the Use of Force at the Turn of Centuries: Essays
Honour of V.D. Degan (Rijeka, 2005)
Waikato Law Review, Vol. 13, 2005

<u>Victoria University of Wellington Legal Research Paper Series, Keith Paper No. 5/2019</u>

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The article discusses the role of law and legal principle in the protection of human rights in an age of terrorism, asking whether fundamental rights are expendable, or the extent they can be limited, if national security is to be protected. It refers to several relevant facts on the issue as well as to national and international laws and procedures. The specific rights of personal liberty, freedom of association and protection against torture are addressed. It also explores the role of international and national processes, legislatures, executives and courts in protecting human rights in the context of the development and implementation of anti-terrorism legislation.

"Taxation and Government"	
New Zealand Society of Accountants, Residential Taxation Seminar, Auckland, 1	984
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Kenneth Keith considers several aspects of the relationship between two concerns: the concern about New Zealand's taxation system, and the concern about New Zealand's constitutional arrangement. He considers it important that tax reform is not divorced from some of the more general ideas and principles which might inform change. The author looks back to the 17th century fundamentals of our constitution with their emphasis on parliamentary control of the Crown. The enormous constitutional changes since that time and the great growth in the legal powers and the role of the executive are then discussed. The author notes the lack of control over the making of executive decisions and the principles, particularly against retroactivity, that might be relevant to those decisions. The final topic concerns the subjection of taxation authorities to the law, where the author illustrates the importance of public perceptions to this body of law.

Abstract by Juliet Bull.

"A Bill of Rights for New Zealand? Judicial Review Versus Democracy" (1985) 11 NZULR 307 Victoria University of Wellington Legal Research Paper Series, Keith Paper No. 7/2019

KENNETH J. KEITH, Victoria University of Wellington - Faculty of Law, Victoria University of Wellington - Faculty of Law

Kenneth Keith contends in this article that New Zealand should enact a Bill of Rights. He explains why, in 1964, he opposed the proposal for a Bill of Rights, and gives reasons for his change in opinion. The author draws heavily on relevant material from North America and relates it to New Zealand's proposed Bill. In his discussion of the relationship and tension between democratic processes and judicial review, the author stresses that judicial enforcement of a Bill of Rights can enhance democratic values. His change in opinion is reflective of broader changes in the role of the judiciary within New Zealand's constitutional arrangement.

Abstract by Juliet Bull

"The Right to Protest" K. J. Keith (ed) Essays on Human Rights (Sweet & Maxwell, Wellington, 1968) 49. Victoria University of Wellington Legal Research Paper Series, Keith Paper No. 8/2019

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Kenneth Keith considers several aspects of the law concerning protests and dissent in this article. He first lists the various interests in this area which must be recognised and reconciled with one another. Secondly, the author discusses the law of sedition, as an example of an attempt to control, by law, the expression of political ideas and their consequences. He then considers the access to avenues of protest and the controls exercised during and after the protest. The restrictive nature of this body of law is diminished as it is not always fully enforced, leading the author to question in concluding whether it is the correct for the right to protest to be in the discretion of authorities at whom, after all, the protest will usually be directed. ^top

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