

## INTRODUCTION

Dr.Jur. Eric Engle, a brilliant theoretician and burgeoning leader of the field of legal philosophy, generously accepted an invitation to guest edit this edition.

As regular readers will know, Dr Engle is an ambidextrous scholar who has made many contributions to diverse areas of legal theory. In this spirit, he has curated five significant articles for this issue of *Jurisprudence*. He has brought together a diverse cornucopia of scholars who write articles of such quality that I have no doubt that they will be cited by scholars, practitioners and students for years to come.

The title of the edition, “Contemporary Legal Theory,” reflects the advancing change in jurisprudence. No longer is jurisprudence a dichotomy between realism and positivism, but a field in flux. There is a cacophony of debates raging in the philosophy of law, which will emerge, I am sure, as a symphony of the theoretical. This issue, I hope, offers some insight into the current debates whilst encouraging resolution and inspiring further inquiry.

In the coming year, we have issues on negligence and jurisprudence, and on rationalisation in law. Both are shaping up to be blockbuster issues, with significant contributions in both.

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