



2012 Voiceless **Animal Law Lecture Series**

Hunted by land and sea

A legal exploration of commercial hunting in Australia and Canada.

Australia's iconic kangaroos are hunted in the largest commercial slaughter of land-based wildlife on the planet – almost 90 million have been lawfully killed in the last 20 years. Canada's harp seals are hunted in the world's largest commercial slaughter of marine mammals – almost 4 million have been lawfully killed in the last 20 years.

With two countries holding such similar records, it is worthwhile exploring the legal parameters of the hunts. In order to do this, Voiceless is proud to present Canadian lawyer Lesli Bisgould as our keynote speaker for 2012.

Lesli is a leader in animal law, having practised in the area for ten years, authored the first Canadian text on the subject and lectured widely throughout Canada and the US.

In what is sure to be a fascinating presentation, Lesli will reflect on her experiences with the seal hunt and offer insights into Australia's own native hunt.

Continuing Professional Development

If this lecture is relevant to your immediate or long term needs in relation to your professional development and practice of the law, then you should claim one unit for each hour of attendance, refreshment breaks not included.

Date: **Thursday 14 June 2012**

Time: **5.45pm – 7.15pm**
(doors open at 5.30pm)

Venue: **Corrs Chambers Westgarth**
Level 36, Bourke Place
600 Bourke Street
Melbourne, Victoria

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Kindly supported by Corrs Chambers Westgarth, this lecture will be chaired by Voiceless Legal Counsel, **Ruth Hatten**. A local and legal perspective on the commercial hunting of kangaroos will be given by **Graeme McEwen**, a Barrister at the Victorian Bar and Chair of the Barristers Animal Welfare Panel.

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