Sentencing and the Community
Politics, Public Opinion & the Development of Sentencing Policy

Friday 21 July & Saturday 22 July 2006
Langham Hotel, Southbank, Melbourne

Sentencing and the Community: Politics, Public Opinion and the Development of Sentencing Policy, will examine the role of the public in sentencing policy, with a focus on victim and community representation on sentencing councils, parole boards and other bodies. The conference will look at both the theoretical framework for public participation as well as the practical work being undertaken by sentencing councils and boards from around Australia and the world.

The conference program will cover:
- Historical perspectives on the role of the public and public opinion in the development of sentencing policy
- Institutional mechanisms for incorporating the public
- Public opinion on sentencing: What do we know and how do we measure it?
- The role of the media in sentencing policy
- The role of the public in Australia: victim and community representation on sentencing councils and parole boards
- The role of the public in the United Kingdom, United States of America and South Africa: victim and community representation on sentencing panels and commissions

Speakers include:
Rob Allen International Centre for Prison Studies, King’s College London
Prof Richard Frase University of Minnesota Law School
Prof Arie Freiberg Sentencing Advisory Council Victoria
Dr Karen Gelb Sentencing Advisory Council Victoria
Prof Mike Hough Institute for Criminal Policy Research, King’s College London
Prof Neil Hutton Centre for Sentencing Research, Strathclyde University Scotland
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Prof Stephan Terblanche Department of Criminal and Procedural Law, University of South Africa

Registration Rates:
- Earlybird rate $375 (registration by Friday 7 April)
- Individual rate $475
- Student rate $330 (full-time students only)
- Conference dinner $70

For more information or to register for the conference please visit the Sentencing Advisory Council website
www.sentencingcouncil.vic.gov.au