

# 2017 Equity and Diversity Awards



Rounding off a successful QLS Open Day on 17 May, president Christine Smyth presented the annual QLS Equity & Diversity Awards, an initiative of the Equalising Opportunities in the Law Committee.

This year's Large Legal Practice Award was presented to Cooper Grace Ward Lawyers in recognition of its comprehensive and sustainable culture of inclusiveness,

while Miller Harris Lawyers received the Small Legal Practice Award for its demonstrated commitment to the promotion of diversity.

The president of the Indigenous Lawyers Association of Queensland, Linda Ryle, received the inaugural QLS President's Equity Advocate Award to celebrate her lifelong commitment to promoting and fostering diversity within the legal profession.

Above: Miller Harris Lawyers partner Melissa Nielsen (Small Legal Practice Award), Indigenous Lawyers Association of Queensland president Linda Ryle (QLS President's Equity Advocate Award), QLS president Christine Smyth, Cooper Grace Ward people & culture director Neil Baker and CEO Janet Wilson (Large Legal Practice Award).

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