FORM C: ABDC 2013 JOURNALS LIST REVIEW
RATING UPGRADE SUBMISSION

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**Journal Title:**  Civil Justice Quarterly

**QC1. FIELD of RESEARCH (FoR) PANEL to which this request is directed (tick one box only):**
- 0806 Information Systems
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**QC2. WHAT ABDC 2013 RATING DO YOU PROPOSE FOR THIS JOURNAL?**
- A* ☐  A ☐  B ☐  C ☐

**QC3. WHAT ABDC 2010 RATING WAS THIS JOURNAL ASSIGNED?**
- A* ☐  A ☐  B ☐  C ☐

**QC4. WHAT ERA 2010 RATING WAS THIS JOURNAL ASSIGNED?**
- A* ☐  A ☐  B ☐  C ☐  not applicable

**QC5. NOMINATE “THE BEST” COMPARATOR JOURNAL (journal from the ABDC 2010 list that is most similar in research quality):**  Sydney Law Review

**QC6. JOURNAL INFORMATION**
**Editor’s Name:** Prof Adrian Zuckerman  **Institution:** Oxford University
**Web Address:** http://www.sweetandmaxwell.co.uk/

**NATURE OF SUBMISSION**

**QC7. Primary submitter type (tick one box only)**
- Higher Education Institutional Submission (e.g. formal submission from Business Faculty/School)
- Peak Body Submission (e.g. AFAANZ, ANZAM)
- Individual Submission

**QC8. Primary submitter:** BTL Panel
**Institutional Affiliation:**

**QC9. Are there other signatories to this submission?**  ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, how many signatories are there (including the primary submitter)?
QC10. Executive Summary (word limit: 250 words fully presented on this page only). In the space below succinctly highlight the key elements of your case for upgrading the rating of the designated journal. Please use a "bullet point" style where possible.

The BTL panel predicted this journal would be upgraded to an "A" rating and received a submission supporting an upgrade (see BTL_FC_F_012). It is noted that this journal was rated "A+" by the Australian Research Council in 2010 and "A" by the College of Law Deans in 2009.

It is the main academic English language, peer-reviewed outlet for original research in the field of civil procedure and the administration of civil justice generally. We also note the journal's prestigious editorial board.

Articles published in the CJQ have shaped public debate on subjects such as collective actions, litigation costs, ADR, the Europeanisation of civil procedure, and limitation of actions. The journal has been cited in the higher courts of several countries, including the House of Lords and UK Supreme Court, the High Court of Australia and many other courts.

The Civil Justice Quarterly has published first class research on a variety of topics, both theoretical and practical, in its field of civil procedure and civil justice. We also note that the authors who have published in this journal include UK judges from the High Court, Court of Appeal and House of Lords; senior Australian and US judges; leading practitioners and authors of leading scholarly texts and leading academics from the UK, the US, Continental Europe (e.g. Germany, Italy, Sweden), Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and further afield (including, Japan, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore).

The submission received (012) does not contain details of the editorial board etc, but instead refers to a submission expected from the editors of CJQ. Unfortunately no such other eligible submission was received.

Details of the editorial board are not available on the journal's website.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: APPENDIX CHECKLIST

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QC11. What supplementary information are you supplying (by way of appendices) to support your submission?

The following documents are attached in support of this application (please tick boxes as relevant):

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- Institution: University of Oxford
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**QC8. Primary submitter:** Jo Lennan

**Institutional Affiliation:** Adjunct Lecturer, School of Law, The University of New South Wales

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I support and endorse the factors cited in the submission put to the ABDC by the Civil Justice Quarterly. Civil justice, more than many areas of law, touches directly on the business affairs of companies and individuals, yet its study has too long been neglected. This journal has been a longstanding leader in developing this field. Indeed, its existence and development has to a substantial extent defined the study and debate of civil justice across multiple nations.

In short, the CJQ fulfils the criteria for A* ranking for the following reasons.

1) Citations
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The board comprises the field leaders who have largely shaped the study and debate of civil justice.

3) Prestige of contributors.
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