



# INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE REFORM OF CRIMINAL LAW

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Dear Mr Lasry

**Justice for All – Victims, Defendants, Prisoners and the Community**  
**2 – 6 July 2006**  
**Brisbane, QLD, Australia**

As Chair of the Conference, it is my pleasure to invite you to attend this conference which will consider issues of considerable importance to the justice system. The conferences of the International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law traditionally attract the leaders of the legal and criminal justice systems from many nations. The 2006 conference will examine how the criminal justice system operates to ensure that victims, defendants, prisoners and the community receive a just outcome.

The conference theme will be considered in several contexts. One context is critical pre trial issues such as pretrial incarceration including the examination of measures that may be effective in reducing pretrial incarceration. The importance of consistency in sentencing and the role of the victim in sentencing will also be a context for the development of the conference theme. The third context is prisoner rehabilitation and its relevance to sentencing courts and to punishment generally.

I have enclosed for your information a draft conference program, with more details to be available soon. You may refer to the Society's website [www.isrcl.org](http://www.isrcl.org) for details about the Society and the conference. The Society operates solely with volunteers and, regrettably, does not have sufficient funds to pay the expenses of any participants at our conferences. If you have any questions about the Society or the conference, please feel free to contact The Society Secretariat.

We know that you will enjoy the hospitality that Brisbane and Australia will offer to conference delegates, and we hope that you will be able to join us at this important conference so that we will have the benefit of your considerable experience at our proceedings. I look forward to hearing from you and greeting you at the conference.

Yours sincerely,

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The Hon. Justice Ian Callinan AC  
High Court of Australia - Conference Chair