

Mr. Keteca Joins JDP School of Law

Mr. Kiniviliame Keteca, renowned academic in the area of Law and former Magistrate, has joined The University of Fiji's Justice Devendra Pathik School of Law (JDP SoL) as a Senior Lecturer in Law.

Mr. Keteca comes with a wealth of knowledge having been a Lecturer in Oceans Governance & Policy at the University of the South of Pacific and a former Magistrate who dealt with cases relating to Criminal Law, Family Law, Traffic Offences, Drugs, Inquests and Civil matters.

Mr. Keteca also worked as the Director of the Fiji Law Reform Commission where he directed the review of several laws including-The Succession and Wills Act, Civil Evidence Act, Laws on Sexual Offences against Children, Corruption and Bribery provisions in the then Penal Code, the translation of parts of the Family Law Bill into the Fijian language and explaining these to the fourteen provincial councils in Fiji.

As a Legal Officer with the Republic of Fiji Military Forces (RFMF), Mr. Keteca advised the Commander of RFMF on the roles of the RFMF under Fiji laws, training of Officers and soldiers on international humanitarian law, Military Law and other laws of Fiji; on the regional deployment of troops based on SOFA- Status of Forces Agreement and gave general legal advice to soldiers on property, family law and civil law matters.

Professor Shaista Shameem, Dean of the JDP SoL, stated that she was pleased that Mr. Keteca had joined the SoL team because he would be bringing a wealth of knowledge to the JDP SoL which would enhance the mission of the School in providing a holistic legal development for students.