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Kate's qualifications include a Phd in Criminology (2012), Masters of Human Rights Law (2019), Graduate Certificate of Higher Education (2013) and she is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors. Kate conducts research in the area of domestic and family violence, femicide, responses to all forms of violence against women, and the impacts of law reform in Australia and internationally. This research is undertaken with a key focus on issues relating to gender, constructions of responsibility and justice. The findings of Kate's research have been published in books, academic journals, funded reports and presented at national and international criminology conferences.

Kate has advised on homicide law reform, family violence and youth justice reviews in several Australian and international jurisdictions. Her research has been cited by the High Court of Australia. In 2016 Kate was appointed as a member of the Victorian Government's Expert Advisory Committee on Perpetrator Interventions and in 2018 was appointed to the Respect Victoria inaugural Board of Directors. In 2021 she was appointed Chair of Respect Victoria by the Victorian Government. She is the former Chair of the Barwon Centre against Sexual Assault and in 2015 she was awarded a Churchill Fellowship to examine innovative legal responses to intimate femicide.

## **Qualifications**