

# A case for HydroTap in barristers' chambers

The HydroTap is a stylish and convenient addition to the chambers' new kitchen

>> Barristers can be solitary creatures, saving their prodigious communication skills for the courtroom. So, when a group of Land and Environment Court barristers approached architect Christine McKanna from cm3 solutions to design a fit-out which would bring a group of chambers together in the one place it was a radical move.

It was also a heaven-sent opportunity for McKanna who saw the challenge of using design to bring about a change of culture, especially as it involved refurbishing a floor in the iconic 1960s Reserve Bank Building at the top of Sydney's Martin Place.

The result is an elegant new work environment that blends in beautifully with the heritage building. The main thrust behind the design was to create a sense of community amongst the barristers. Hence, there is a common reception and waiting area, a common library that acts as a decorative feature down the central corridor and a common recreation-cum-meeting room.

There is also a communal kitchen which has proven to be very popular. It even has a well-used notice board! And it is equipped with a Zip HydroTap to complete the cultural revolution, bringing barristers together for a chat over a cup of tea or coffee or a glass of chilled water. ■

01 Reserve Bank  
Chambers reception

02 Reserve Bank  
Chambers kitchen with  
Hydro Tap

