

# AREAS OF LAW UNDER REVIEW

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## AIDS

### SALC

- Aspects of the law relating to AIDS: national compulsory standard for condoms; disposable syringes, needles and other hazardous materials; universal work place infection control measures (universal precautions); medical certificates in respect of HIV/AIDS related deaths; national policy on HIV test, 1996 (DP 68 (Project 85))

## Aborigines

### Sen

- Provisions of the *Hindmarsh Island Bridge Bill 1996* — WIH

### NSWLRC

- Sentencing Aboriginal offenders — WIH on a report due July 1997

### NLRC

- Mediation and the criminal justice system: final report, 1996 (Report No 17A) — WIH by three further sub-committees on Aboriginal issues, family and domestic disputes and civil issues. A DP on the operation of ADR in relation to the *Child Welfare Act (NT)* is due shortly. Copies will be selectively distributed, but anyone interested in the DP should contact the Committee. A report on ADR and Aboriginal issues is due early 1997

### QCJC

- Aboriginal witnesses in Queensland's criminal courts, 1996

## Access to Justice

### Sen

- The continued ability of all to have access to legal services and litigation in Australia — WIH
- The Australian legal aid system — WIH

## Acquittal

### NSWLRC

- Directed verdicts of acquittal, 1996 (Report 77)

## Administrative Law

### ARC

- Contracting out of government services — WIH on a project to consider in what circumstances federal administrative law and/or other safeguards should exist to preserve appropriate government accountability where services are provided to the community on behalf of government by private sector contractors
- Internal review — the Council is considering how best to approach the subject of internal review processes for decision making, and is interested in receiving informal comments
- AAT review of decisions under the Corporations Law — a letter of advice has been forwarded to the AG on this topic
- Appeals from the AAT to the Federal Court — the Council is awaiting a High Court decision in a case which involves, in part, what constitutes a 'question of law' for the purposes of section 44 of the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1975* before continuing this project
- Administrative review of patents decisions — many of the issues of this project overlap with the project on appeals from the AAT to the Federal Court. Work will be finalised along with that project

### Sen

- The optimal role and function of the Administrative Review Council (ARC) and the relationship between the ARC and other relevant bodies — WIH
- Provisions of the *Hindmarsh Island Bridge Bill 1996* — WIH

## Adoption *see also* Children and Young Persons

### NSWLRC

- Review of the *Adoption of Children Act 1965* — WIH on a report due January 1997

## Adversary System

### ALRC

- Review of the adversarial system of litigation: an introduction to the inquiry, 1996
- Adversarial background papers: Federal jurisdiction (BP 1); Alternative or assisted dispute resolution (BP 2); Judicial and case management (BP 3); The unrepresented party (BP 4); Civil litigation practice and procedure (BP 5), 1996 (BPs 1-5) — WIH on a series of IPs (the first is due in March 1997) and an interim report which is due in September 1997. The Commission has established several committees (Advisory and Federal Consultative Council) and working groups in the areas of civil litigation, family litigation, administrative proceedings, training and education and litigation costs

## Alternative Dispute Resolution

### ALRC

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### Animals

#### Manitoba LRC

- Animal protection, 1996 (Report No 93)

### Anti-Discrimination *see*

Discrimination

### Appeals

#### VicAGLRAC

- Leave to appeal to the Court of Appeal — WIH

### Arbitration

#### SALC

- Arbitration: a draft *International Arbitration Act* for South Africa, 1996 (IP 69, Project 94)

### Archives

#### ALRC

- Review of the *Archives Act 1983*, 1996 (ALRC IP 19) — Written submissions are invited at should be received by 31 March. Consultations will be conducted in May and June 1997, with a final report due at the end of the year

### Arrest

#### QCJC

- Defendants' perceptions of the investigation and arrest process, 1996

#### NJLRC

- Tentative report relating to civil arrest: *capias ad respondendum et satisfaciendum*, 1996

### Bankruptcy *see* Insolvency

### Building Law

#### WALRC

- Financial protection in the building and construction industry — Comments on the 1995 DP now being considered

### Cannabis *see* Drugs

### Case Management

#### ALRC

- Adversarial background papers: Federal jurisdiction (BP 1); Alternative or assisted dispute resolution (BP 2); Judicial and case management (BP 3); The unrepresented party (BP 4); Civil litigation practice and procedure (BP 5), 1996 (BPs 1–5) — WIH on a series of IPs (the first is due in March 1997) and an interim report which is due in September 1997. The Commission has established several committees (Advisory and Federal Consultative Council) and working groups in the areas of civil litigation, family litigation, administrative proceedings, training and education and litigation costs

### Children and Young Persons

*see also* Family Law; Juvenile Justice ALRC & HREOC

- Children and the legal process — WIH on a DRP due in April 1997

#### FLC

- Involving and representing children in family law, 1996
- The criminalisation of child abduction — WIH
- Operation of the child support scheme — WIH

#### NTRLRC

- Mediation and the criminal justice system: final report, 1996 (Report No 17A) — WIH by three further sub-committees on Aboriginal issues, family and domestic disputes and civil issues. A DP on the operation of ADR in relation to the *Child Welfare Act (NT)* is due shortly. Copies will be selectively distributed, but anyone interested in the DP should contact the Committee. A report on ADR and Aboriginal issues is due early 1997

#### QLRC

- Consent to medical treatment for young people — WIH on a final report

#### WALRC

- Medical treatment for minors — the Commission has been studying developments in this area since publication of its DP in 1988. No work has been done on this reference for some years because of the priority of other projects

#### SALC

- Family violence, 1996 (IP 2)

### Citizenship *see* Nationality

### Civil Law

- Adversarial background papers: Federal jurisdiction (BP 1);

Alternative or assisted dispute resolution (BP 2); Judicial and case management (BP 3); The unrepresented party (BP 4); Civil litigation practice and procedure (BP 5), 1996 (BPs 1–5) — WIH on a series of IPs (the first is due in March 1997) and an interim report which is due in September 1997. The Commission has established several committees (Advisory and Federal Consultative Council) and working groups in the areas of civil litigation, family litigation, administrative proceedings, training and education and litigation costs

#### HKLRC

- Report on hearsay rule in civil proceedings, 1996 (Topic 3)

### Civil Procedure

#### NJLRC

- Tentative report relating to civil arrest: *capias ad respondendum et satisfaciendum*, 1996

### Class Actions

#### Scot Law Com

- Multi-party actions, 1996 (Scot Law Com 154)

### Commercial Leases

#### Manitoba LRC

- Commercial tenancies: miscellaneous issues, 1996 (Report No 95)

### Committal Proceedings

#### QCJC

- Evaluation of Brisbane central committals project, 1996

### Company Law

#### ARC

- AAT review of decisions under the Corporations Law — a letter of advice has been forwarded to the AG on this topic

#### Law Com

- Shareholder remedies, 1996 (Consultation Paper No 142)

### Complaints Against Police *see also* Police

#### ALRC

- Integrity: but not by trust alone — AFP & NCA complaints and disciplinary systems, 1996 (ALRC 82)
- Complaints against the AFP and NCA: draft recommendations paper, 1996 (ALRC DRP 2)

### Contracts

#### Law Com

- Privity of contract: contracts for the benefit of third parties, 1996 (Law Com 242)

**Scot Law Com**

- Interpretation in private law, 1996 (DP 101)

**SALC**

- Unreasonable stipulations in contracts and the rectification of contracts, 1996 (DP 65)

**Copyright** *see* Intellectual Property

**Coroners**

**Ontario LRC**

- Report on the law of coroners, 1995

**Corporations**

**CASAC**

- Report on continuous disclosure, 1996
- Regulation of on-exchange derivatives markets: draft report, 1996

**CASAC Netting Sub-Committee**

- Netting in financial markets transactions: draft report, 1996 (Draft Report)

**HKLRC**

- Report on corporate rescue and insolvent trading, 1996

**Corruption**

**QCJC**

- Exposing corruption: a CJC guide to whistleblowing in Queensland, 1996

**Costs**

**Sen**

- Payment of a minister's legal costs, in respect of terms of reference (f) and (g) — WIH

**VicAGLRAC**

- *Appeal Costs Act* — WIH

**Courts**

**VicAGLRAC**

- Time limits for oral argument in court — WIH (Project No 13)
- *Supreme Court Act* — WIH
- Leave to appeal to the Court of Appeal — WIH

**Covenants**

**WALRC**

- Restrictive covenants — DP published July 1995. Comments being considered

**Criminal Codes**

**Law Com**

- Legislating the Criminal Code: involuntary manslaughter, 1996 (Law Com No 237)

**SCAG Model Criminal Code Officers Committee**

- Model Criminal Code: Chapter 3 — Conspiracy to fraud, 1996 (DP)
- Model Criminal Code: Chapter 5 — non fatal offences against the person, 1996 (DP)

**Criminal Evidence**

**Law Com**

- Evidence in criminal proceedings: previous misconduct of a defendant — consultation paper, 1996 (CP No 141)

**Criminal Investigation**

**ICAC**

- Report on the charter of aircraft by the Police Air Wing, 1996
- Report on the Public Employment Office evaluation of the position of Director-General, Department of Community Services, 1996
- Report on investigation into circumstances surrounding the payment of a Parliamentary pension to Mr P M Smiles: second report, 1996

**Criminal Justice**

**NSWLRC**

- People with an intellectual disability and the criminal justice system — WIH on a report due early 1997

**NTRLRC**

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**Queensland Parliamentary CJC**

- Outstanding Parliamentary Criminal Justice Committee recommendations, 1996 (Report No 34)

**Criminal Law**

**Fam**

- The criminalisation of child abduction — WIH

**SALC**

- Family violence, 1996 (IP 2)

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- Model Criminal Code: Chapter 3 — Conspiracy to fraud — discussion paper, 1996 (DP)

- Model Criminal Code: Chapter 5 — non fatal offences against the person, 1996 (DP)

**NSWLRC**

- Directed verdicts of acquittal, 1996 (Report 77)
- Partial defences to murder: diminished responsibility, provocation and infanticide — WIH on a report due April 1997
- Criminal procedure: police powers of detention and investigation after arrest and vulnerable persons — no work programmed for the present time
- Review of common law offences, in particular complicity and attempt — no work programmed for the present time

**Criminal Procedure**

**SALC**

- Interim report on the simplification of criminal procedure, 1995 (Project 73)

**Customary Law**

**SALC**

- Harmonisation of the common law and the indigenous law — customary marriages, 1996 (IP 3 (Project 90))
- Harmonisation of the common law and the indigenous law — the application of customary law: conflict of personal laws, 1996 (IP 4 (Project 90))

**Damages**

**NSWLRC**

- Provisional damages, 1996 (Report 78)

**Law Com**

- Damages for personal injury: medical, nursing and other expenses, 1996 (CP 144)

**SALC**

- The *Apportionment of Damages Act, 1956*, 1996 (DP 67, Project 96)

**Debts**

**VicAGLRAC**

- *Judgment Debt Recovery Act 1984 (Vic)* — WIH

**Derivatives**

**CASAC**

- Regulation of on-exchange derivatives markets: draft report, 1996

**Diminished Responsibility**

**NSWLRC**

- Partial defences to murder: diminished responsibility, provocation and infanticide — WIH on a report due April 1997

## Areas of law under review

**Disabled Persons** *see* Persons with Disabilities

**Discrimination** *see also* Sex

Discrimination

**NSWLRC**

- Review of the *Anti-Discrimination Act 1977* — WIH on a report due April 1997

**Domestic Violence** *see also*

Family Law

**Fam**

- Violence and family law — WIH

**SALC**

- Family violence, 1996 (IP 2)

**Drugs**

**Queensland Parliamentary CJC**

- Report on a review of the Criminal Justice Commission's report on cannabis and the law in Queensland, 1996 (Report No 37)

**Education**

**Law Com**

- Education Bill; School Inspections Bill: report on the consolidation of certain enactments relating to education, 1996 (Law Com No 240)

**Enforcement of Judgments**

**California LRC**

- Recommendations on statute of limitations in trust matters: Probate Code Section 16460; inheritance from or through child born out of wedlock; collecting small estate without administration; repeal of Civil Code Section 1464: The first rule in *Spencer's Case*; Homestead exemption; tolling statute of limitations when defendant is out of state, 1996

**Environmental Law**

**NSWLRC**

- Environment — methods of enforcement of environmental legislation — no work programmed for the present time

**NJLRC**

- Tentative report relating to environmental statutes — tidelands, 1996

**Evidence**

**Vic Scrutiny**

- Review of the *Evidence Act 1958 (Vic)* and review of the role and appointment of public notaries, 1996

**TasLRC**

- Report on the *Uniform Evidence Act* and its introduction to Tasmania, 1996 (Report No 74)

**NILRAC**

- Hearsay evidence in civil proceedings, 1996 (Report No 2)

**HKLRC**

- Report on hearsay rule in civil proceedings, 1996 (Topic 3)

**NZLC**

- The privilege against self-incrimination: a discussion paper, 1996 (PP No 25)

**Family Law**

**FLC**

- Involving and representing children in family law, 1996
- Family law appeals and review: an evaluation of the appeal and review of family law decisions, 1996
- The Family Law Council 1976 — 1996: a record of achievement, 1996
- The interaction of family law and State child and family services legislation — WIH
- Violence and family law — WIH
- The criminalisation of child abduction — WIH
- Section 81 (the 'clean break' principle) of the *Family Law Act* — WIH
- Penalties imposed under the *Family Law Act* — WIH
- Operation of the child support scheme — WIH

**HofR**

- Aspects of family services administered by the Attorney-General's Department — WIH

**SALC**

- Family violence, 1996 (IP 2)

**Fraud**

**SCAG Model Criminal Code**

**Officers Committee**

- Model Criminal Code: Chapter 3 — Conspiracy to fraud, 1996 (DP)

**HKLRC**

- Report on creation of a substantive offence of fraud, 1996 (Topic 24)

**Law Com**

- Offences of dishonesty: money transfers, 1996 (Law Com 243)

**Guardianship**

**NSLRC**

- Reform of the laws dealing with adult guardianship and personal health care decisions: final report, 1995

**Hearsay Evidence** *see*

Evidence

**Inheritance** *see* Succession

**Insolvency**

**Sen**

- *Bankruptcy Legislation Amendment Bill 1996*, 1996

- Inquiry into the Commonwealth's actions in relation to *Ryker (Faulkner) v. The Commonwealth and Flint*, April 1996

**HKLRC**

- Report on corporate rescue and insolvent trading, 1996

**Intellectual Property**

**ARC**

- Administrative review of patents decisions — many of the issues of this project overlap with the project on appeals from the AAT to the Federal Court. Work will be finalised along with that project

**CLRC**

- Review of the *Copyright Act 1968* — WIH on a series of papers prior to the presentation of a final report in November 1997

**International Law**

**NZLC**

- A New Zealand guide to international law and its sources, 1996 (Report No 34)

**International Trade**

**ALRC**

- Legal risk in international transactions, 1996 (ALRC 80)

**Interpretation**

**Scot Law Com**

- Interpretation in private law, 1996 (DP 101)

**Joint Liability** *see* Liability

**Joint Tortfeasors** *see* Torts

**Juries**

**VLRC**

- Jury service in Victoria, 1996 (Final Report, Volume 1)

**Juvenile Justice**

**SA Office of Crime Statistics**

- Review of the juvenile justice system, 1996

**Land Titles**

**NSWLRC**

- Torrens title: compensation for loss, 1996 (LRC 76)

**Law Reform**

**Federation of Law Reform Agencies of Canada**

- Canadian law reform 1992/93: a compendium of law reform activity, 1994 (available on the internet at <http://www.lawreform.gov.bc.ca/clc96.htm>)

**Legal Aid** *see also* Access to Justice

**Sen**

- The Australian legal aid system — WIH
- Inquiry into the Commonwealth's actions in relation to Ryker (Faulkner) v. The Commonwealth and Flint, April 1996

**Legislation**

**Sen**

- *Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No 2) 1996*, 1996
- *Bankruptcy Legislation Amendment Bill 1996*, 1996
- *Social Security Legislation Amendment (Newly Arrived Resident's Waiting Periods and Other Measures) Bill 1996*, 1996
- Provisions of the *Hindmarsh Island Bridge Bill 1996* — WIH
- Provisions of the *Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No 3)* — WIH

**Vic Scrutiny**

- Redundant legislation — WIH on this ongoing reference. Report on the review of the *Carriers and Innkeepers Act 1958* and the *Hire Purchase Act*, and an IP on the *Unlawful Assemblies and Processions Act 1958* are expected shortly

**Law Com**

- Statute law revision: report on the chronological table of local legislation, 1996 (Law Com 241, Scot Law Com 155)

**NZLC**

- Legislation manual: structure and style, 1996 (NZLC R35)

**Liability**

**VicAGLRAC**

- Law of joint and several liability — WIH

**Limitation of Actions**

**WALRC**

- Limitation and notice of actions — Report completed January 1996, but unable to be submitted because the Commission had no quorum. Report now being considered by new members appointed October 1996

**California LRC**

- Recommendations on statute of limitations in trust matters: Probate Code Section 16460; inheritance from or through child born out of wedlock; collecting small estate without administration; repeal of Civil Code Section 1464: The first rule in Spencer's Case; Homestead exemption; tolling statute of limitations when defendant is out of state, 1996

**Litigation**

**ALRC**

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**Marriage**

**SALC**

- Harmonisation of the common law and the indigenous law — customary marriages, 1996 (IP 3 (Project 90))

**Media Law**

**Sen**

- The rights and obligations of the media — WIH

**Medical Law** *see also*

**Transexuality**

**QLRC**

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**Manitoba LRC**

- Confidentiality of mediation proceedings, 1996 (Report No 94)

**Migration**

**Sen**

- *Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No 2) 1996*, 1996
- Provisions of the *Migration Legislation Amendment Bill (No 3)* — WIH

**Money Laundering**

**SALC**

- Money laundering and related matters, 1996 (SALC DP 64)
- Money laundering and related matters, 1996 (IP 1 (Project 104))

**Nationality**

**Sen**

- National well-being: a system of national citizenship indicators and benchmarks, April 1996

**Neighbour Relations**

**NSWLRC**

- Neighbour and neighbour relations — WIH on a report due December 1996

**Notaries**

**Vic Scrutiny**

- Review of the *Evidence Act 1958 (Vic)* and review of the role and appointment of public notaries, 1996

**Offences**

**HKLRC**

- Report on creation of a substantive offence of fraud, 1996 (Topic 24)

## Areas of law under review

### SCAG Model Criminal Code Officers Committee

- Model Criminal Code: Chapter 5 — non fatal offences against the person, 1996 (DP)

### Patents *see* Intellectual Property

### Personal Injuries

#### Law Com

- Damages for personal injury: medical, nursing and other expenses, 1996 (CP 144)

### Personal Property

#### NSWLRC

- Personal property securities — No work programmed for the present time

### Persons with Disabilities

#### ALRC

- Making rights count: services for people with a disability — new disability services legislation for the Commonwealth: review of legislation administered by the Department of Health and Family Services, 1996 (ALRC 79)

#### NSWLRC

- People with an intellectual disability and the criminal justice system — WIH on a report due early 1997

#### QLRC

- Assisted and substituted decisions: decision-making by and for people with a decision-making disability, 1996 (QLRC R49)

#### NSLRC

- Reform of the laws dealing with adult guardianship and personal health care decisions: final report, 1995

### Police

#### ALRC

- Integrity: but not by trust alone — AFP & NCA complaints and disciplinary systems, 1996 (ALRC 82)
- Complaints against the AFP and NCA: draft recommendations paper, 1996 (ALRC DRP 2)

#### NSWLRC

- Criminal procedure: police powers of detention and investigation after arrest and vulnerable persons — no work programmed for the present time

#### QCJC

- Defendants' perceptions of the investigation and arrest process, 1996
- The nature of general police work, 1996 (RP Series: Vol 3, No 2)

- Regional delivery of first year constable training: an evaluation, 1996 (Study)
- Report on police watchhouses in Queensland, 1996
- Police recruit selection: predictors of academy performance, 1996 (Study)
- Ethical conduct and discipline in the Queensland Police Service: the views of recruits, first year constables and experienced officers, 1995
- Assault-related injuries reported by Queensland police officers, 1996

### Power of Attorney

#### QLRC

- Assisted and substituted decisions: decision-making by and for people with a decision-making disability, 1996 (QLRC R49)

#### NSLRC

- Reform of the laws dealing with adult guardianship and personal health care decisions: final report, 1995

### Prisons

#### QCJC

- Report on police watchhouses in Queensland, 1996

### Privacy

#### ILRC

- Consultation paper on privacy: surveillance and the interception of communications, 1996 (CP)

### Probate

#### California LRC

- Recommendations on statute of limitations in trust matters: Probate Code Section 16460; inheritance from or through child born out of wedlock; collecting small estate without administration; repeal of Civil Code Section 1464: The first rule in Spencer's Case; Homestead exemption; tolling statute of limitations when defendant is out of state, 1996

### Public Administration

#### Sen

- Examination of annual reports — No 1 of 1996, 1996
- Examination of annual reports — No 2 of 1996, 1996

### Real Property

#### NSWLRC

- Torrens title: compensation for loss, 1996 (LRC 76)

- Rights to support by adjoining land — WIH on a report due March 1996

#### NLRC

- Property law legislation — A sub-committee on a review of the property law legislation of the NT and in particular considering the new *Property Law Act (Queensland)* has finalised its review. A final report is due in 1997

### Remedies

#### ALRC

- Legal risk in international transactions, 1996 (ALRC 80)

### Sale of Goods

#### WALRC

- Review of the *Sale of Goods Act 1895* — DPs issued on implied terms (August 1995) and equitable rules in contracts for the sale of goods (October 1995). Comments on these DPs are being studied and work in proceeding on other aspects of the reference

### Self-Incrimination

#### NZLC

- The privilege against self-incrimination: a discussion paper, 1996 (PP No 25)

### Sentencing

#### NSWLRC

- Review of sentencing laws — WIH on a report due early 1997
- Sentencing Aboriginal offenders — WIH on a report due July 1997

#### ILRC

- Sentencing, 1996 (LRC 53–1996)

### Service of Process

#### NJLRC

- Tentative report relating to service of process, 1996

### Sex Discrimination *see also* Discrimination

#### Sen

- The need to protect Australian citizens against discrimination and vilification on the grounds of their sexuality or transgender identity, as dealt with by the *Sexuality Discrimination Bill 1995 [1996]* — WIH

### Social Welfare

#### Sen

- *Social Security Legislation Amendment (Newly Arrived Resident's Waiting Periods and Other Measures) Bill 1996*, 1996

**Standing**

**ALRC**

- Beyond the door-keeper: standing to sue for public remedies, 1996 (ALRC 78)

**Stocks and Shares**

**Law Com**

- Shareholder remedies, 1996 (CP No 142)

**Succession**

**QLRC**

- Uniform succession laws: wills, 1996 (Miscellaneous Paper 15)
- Uniform succession laws: the effect of the *Lex Situs* and Mozambique rules on succession to immovable property, 1996 (Miscellaneous Paper 16) — WIH on a joint project involving all states and territories. The QLRC is co-ordinating this SCAG initiated project. Other topics such as family provision and intestacy will be reviewed in the future

**NZLC**

- Succession law: testamentary claims — a discussion paper, 1996 (PP No 24)
- Succession law: wills reforms — a consultation paper, 1996 (Miscellaneous Paper 2)

**California LRC**

- Recommendations on statute of limitations in trust matters: Probate Code Section 16460; inheritance from or through child born out of wedlock; collecting small estate without administration; repeal of Civil Code Section 1464: The first rule in *Spencer's Case*; Homestead exemption; tolling statute of limitations when defendant is out of state, 1996

**Surrogacy**

**ALRI & Surrogate Rules**

**Committee**

- Revision of the surrogate rules: final report, 1996 (Report No 73)

**Surveillance**

**NSWLRC**

- Visual and aural surveillance — WIH on a report due December 1997

**ILRC**

- Consultation paper on privacy: surveillance and the interception of communications, 1996 (CP)

**Theft**

**Law Com**

- Offences of dishonesty: money transfers, 1996 (Law Com 243)

**Torrens System**

**NSWLRC**

- Torrens title: compensation for loss, 1996 (LRC 76)

**Torts**

**NSWLRC**

- Contribution among joint tortfeasors — WIH on a DP due June 1997

**Transsexuality**

**Sen**

- The need to protect Australian citizens against discrimination and vilification on the grounds of their sexuality or transgender identity, as dealt with by the *Sexuality Discrimination Bill 1995 [1996]* — WIH

**SALC**

- Report on the investigation into the legal consequences of sexual realignment and related matters, 1995 (Project 52)

**Trusts and Trustees**

**VicAGLRAC**

- *Trustee Act 1958* — WIH

**Uniform Laws**

**ULCC**

- Proceedings of the Seventy-seventh annual meeting, 1995

**Whistleblowers**

**QCJC**

- Exposing corruption: a CJC guide to whistleblowing in Queensland, 1996

**Wills see also Succession**

**QLRC**

- Uniform succession laws: wills, 1996 (Miscellaneous Paper 15)

**NZLC**

- Succession law: wills reforms — a consultation paper, 1996 (Miscellaneous Paper 2)

**Wiretapping**

**ILRC**

- Consultation paper on privacy: surveillance and the interception of communications, 1996 (CP)

**Witnesses**

**QCJC**

- Aboriginal witnesses in Queensland's criminal courts, 1996

**Writs**

**WALRC**

- Writs and warrants of execution — WIH on draft report

**Young Persons see Children**

and Young Persons; Juvenile Justice

## abbreviations and acronyms

AAT	Administrative Appeals Tribunal
ACTCLRC	ACT Community Law Reform Committee
ADR	Alternative dispute resolution
ALRC	Australian Law Reform Commission
ALRI	Alberta Law Reform Institute
ARC	Administrative Review Council (Australia)
BCLRC	Law Reform Commission of British Columbia
BP	Background paper
California LRC	California Law Revision Commission
CASAC	Companies & Securities Advisory Committee (Australia)
CLRC	Copyright Law Review Committee
CP	Consultation paper
DP	Discussion paper
FLC	Family Law Council (Australia)
H of R	House of Representatives Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs
HKLRC	Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong
HREOC	Human Rights & Equal Opportunity Commission
ILRC	Irish Law Reform Commission
IP	Issues paper
Law Com	Law Commission (UK)
Manitoba LRC	Manitoba Law Reform Commission
NILRAC	Law Reform Advisory Committee of Northern Ireland
NJLRC	New Jersey Law Revision Commission
NSLRC	Law Reform Commission of Nova Scotia
NSWLRC	New South Wales Law Reform Commission
NT	Northern Territory
NTLRC	Northern Territory Law Reform Committee
NZLC	New Zealand Law Commission
Ontario LRC	Ontario Law Reform Commission
QCJC	Queensland Criminal Justice Commission
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RP	Research paper
RR	Research report
SA	South Australia
SALC	South African Law Commission
SCAG	Standing Committee of Attorneys'-General
Sen	Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs
Scot Law Com	Scottish Law Commission
Tas LRC	Law Reform Commissioner of Tasmania
ULCC	Uniform Law Commissioners Conference (Canada)
VicAGLRAC	Victorian Attorney-General's Law Reform Advisory Council
Vic LRC	Victorian Parliamentary Law Reform Committee
Vic Scrutiny	Victorian Parliamentary Scrutiny of Acts and Regulations Committee
WALRC	Law Reform Commission of Western Australia
WIH	Work in hand