

Managing Editor's note

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As indicated elsewhere in this journal, I have been appointed Managing Editor of *Plaintiff*. Since inception of this publication, Roland Everingham has filled that role. I am sure he would wish me to acknowledge not only his role in developing the journal, but also the efforts of those who have in the past, and more recently, assisted him.

The primary role of *Plaintiff* is to inform members of recent developments in their areas of practice. As such we rely fully upon contributions from members. To facilitate the process of obtaining contributions, local editors have been appointed as follows:-

- Terry Stern NSW
- Stephen Roche Queensland
- Geoff Coates Victoria
- Michael Saies South Australia
- Sukhwant Singh Western Australia
- Richard Faulks ACT
- James Hebron Northern Territory

You will see some minor changes to

the layout of *Plaintiff* in this edition. We are keen to further develop the case note section and so will include in each edition a form to simplify the process of contributing case notes and/or recommendations for the expert database.

We are more than happy to publish appropriate letters to the editor and of course appreciate the feedback.

Finally, I should indicate that whilst preserving the primary role of the journal as a report of current events, we hope to develop a central theme for each future edition.

Issue 26 (April 1998) will follow the Birth Trauma Conference in Sydney on 2 and 3 March and as a result will have a **medical negligence** theme. Issue 27 (in June) will focus on adventure sports and following that we will deal with **liability for children's injuries**.

Members wishing to contribute articles should take note of the publication deadlines that appear on the final page of this edition. ■



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