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Editor's note

Readers are probably aware of the sad news that Simon McGregor has relinquished his position as National Public Affairs Manager to take up his long postponed career at the Bar.

Organisations rise or fall on the quality of the personnel that they have.

APLA has been extremely lucky to have had a person of Simon's intelligence and commitment shaping APLA's policy agenda in its formative years. He is going to be a difficult act to follow and we wish him the best of luck.

Many may know Simon as a part time DJ and hopefully we will still be able to rely on his continuing involvement as a member and as a DJ at future conferences and parties. Good Luck Simon.

This issue sees us discuss taxation issues and their effect on our legal practices.


Few of us know what sort of whirlwind the GST is going to create but all of us are going to be caught up in it to a greater or lesser extent.



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As with most things the more you know the less you have to fear.

Also published in this issue are nomination forms for State and National council positions. The electoral process in APLA is considerably less complex than the US Presidential Campaign (and a good deal cleaner), so get involved.

I also take the opportunity to draw your attention to the Victorian State Conference scheduled for 5-6 May, 2000 at the beautiful Mt. Buffalo chalet. 

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