

Professional Development Committee

The Young Lawyers' Lecture Series is proceeding. In addition to the lectures, the Committee has three major events that it is organising between now and the end of the year.

Barristers vs Solicitors Mooting Competition

The Competition is to be held on Thursday 24 September 1998 at Cornwall Stodart. The event is scheduled to commence at 6.00 pm and to conclude at approximately 8.00 pm. Drinks and light refreshments will be served after the event.

The trials to select the LIV team will be held on Thursday 3 September before Mr Ted Fennessy and Ms Tina Millar. Applicants will be given a problem and will be asked to prepare and present a 10 minute submission to the judges. Each Judge will give a mark out of 50. The two applicants who achieve the highest and second highest marks out of 100 will be invited to represent the Law Institute. We have been informed by representatives of the Victorian Bar that a similar selection process will be carried out by them to select the barristers team prior the moot. Judges are to be selected by the Australian Advocacy Institute; they will also select the problem to be mooted.

Advertisements have been prepared and are expected to be published in the August LIV News and the September Law Institute Journal.

1998 Inaugural Young Lawyers' Conference

The Committee is organising a conference for young lawyers to be held at Leo Cussen Institute on Friday 21 August 1998. The conference aims to provide young lawyers with practical "hands on" tuition relating to areas of law and skills which are most likely to be utilised by Young Lawyers in their practices.

Topics and presenters are listed below:

- "Taxation: What is a GST and how does it work - advising your clients": Mr Graham Candy, Partner, Rigby Cooke;
- "E-Commerce": Mr Peter Tunjic, Associate, Rigby Cooke;

- "Multimedia - Legal and Practical Implications of Doing Business on the Web": Mr Craig Laughton, Solicitor, Dunhill Madden Butler;
- "Careers Workshop: Working with your Employer": Dita Georgiadis & Ann Ray, Lawstaff;
- "Advocacy Skills - Theory and Practice": Mr David Grace QC and Ms Fiona McLeod, Australian Advocacy Institute; and
- "Drafting Pleadings Workshop: Mr Alan Sandbach, Barrister and a team of barristers to be announced.

The conference was timed to coincide with the Young Lawyers' Cocktail Party to be held that evening.

Multimedia Conference

Grania Connors and Spiritas Cho have organised the speakers for the Multimedia Conference to be held on 7 & 14 October 1998. The speakers include:

- Alan Stockdale to speak on Government services on line and E-Commerce;
- Michael Pickering (Telstra) - Privacy codes in the private sector;
- Denise McBurnie (Freehill Hollingdale & Page) overview of privacy and recent case law;
- Victor Perton - Extension of privacy Act into the private sector;
- Moira Scolla (National Privacy Commissioner) - privacy principles, move towards national privacy code;
- Gordon Hughes (Blake Dawson Waldron);
- Julian Burnside QC, Claude Piccinin (bus. council of Australia); Representative of Advance Bank;
- Michael Sneddon (Cornwall Stodart).



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