

settlements should be introduced into federal law in order more strictly to define the division of property between divorcing couples. Chief Judge Evatt said that clearer rules for property settlements would make the law more certain, reduce the time and cost of legal proceedings and give many women the security of an immediate legal entitlement to marriage property instead of merely a privilege to apply to the Family Court (*SMH* 22 March 1982).

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what's going on in the LRCs?

Australian Law Reform Commision

- *Insurance Contracts.* Draft report with printer. Expected to be tabled Budget sittings of Federal Parliament, 1982.
- *Law Reform Digest.* Manuscript with printer. Publication expected next quarter.
- *Sentencing.* Two new Research Papers issued. Project awaiting resources for completion. See above p. 98.
- *Privacy.* Work in hand (WIH). Professor Hayes held discussion with WALRC in May 1982. Two meetings with Consultants May, June 1982. Draft ALRC Bill being prepared to complement FOI legislation, commencing October 1982. Report expected late 1982, early 1983.