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Actions, 1983 : Irritancies in Leases, 1983

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LRC: WP: On Offences relating to Prostitution and Allied Offences, 1982.

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new references

ALRC : Contempt Law. See above p.94

: Matrimonial Property. A new reference on matrimonal property was announced by the Federal Attorney-General, Senator Evans, soon after this issue went to print. Full details will appear in the next issue of *Reform*.

QLRC : Limited Liability of Partnerships.

SALRC : Delivery of Deeds.

what's going on in the LRC's?

Australian Law Reform Commission (ALRC)

- Law Reform Digest. The Digest will be 'launched' by the Federal Attorney-General, Senator Evans, at the Eighth Australian Law Reform Agencies Conference in Brisbane in July 1983. For distribution thereafter.
- Sentencing. Work in suspension. Hoped to be revived at the end of 1983.
- Privacy Work in hand. (WIH). Draft report with printer. Expected to be tabled in Federal Parliament Budget Sittings in 1983. Project led by Assoc Professor Robert Hayes.
- Evidence. WIH. Further research papers due on exclusion of evidence and privilege. Mr T H Smith, Commissioner in charge, reviewing numerous submissions and previous research papers. ALRC aiming for interim report late 1983.
- Aboriginal Customary Law. WIH. Further series of regional meetings completed together with field trips. See above p.109.
- Standing and Class Actions. WIH. Draft report on standing still being reviewed. Expected publication late 1983. Mr B M Debelle QC is working on draft report on class actions.
- Debt Recovery. Project revised under Professor D St L Kelly. Computer analysis of debt processing in NSW being considered. New research paper series commenced. Project to be concluded early 1984. It will be activated end of 1983.

- Admiralty Jurisdiction and Law. Consultation with professional organisations. Research work commencing under Professor James Crawford, with assistance from Dr D Cremean.
- Foreign State Immunity. Research paper series proceeding. Professor Crawford to have discussions in North America and Britain. Discussion paper expected late 1983.
- Service and Execution of Process. New reference.
 Project commencing under Dr Michael Pryles, new Commissioner. See below p.136.
- Contempt Law. New reference. See above p.94.
- Matrimonial Property Law. New reference. To be reviewed in next issue of Reform.

New South Wales Law Reform Commission (NSWLRC)

- Criminal Procedure. Submissions in response to Issues Paper No. 1 are being received and dealt with. The program is being re-considered and it is expected that at least one more publication will be released in 1983.
- Legal Profession Inquiry. It is expected that the third, and final, Report on the Legal Profession Inquiry will be published in 1983. The report will cover solicitors' trust accounts, the solicitors' fidelity fund, and professional indemnity insurance for all legal practitioners.
- Accident Compensation. WP on Transport Accidents Scheme for NSW has been released. See above p.105. There are still many areas to be covered and further work will include studies on rehabilitation, work accidents and possible changes to the common law, in areas where the action for damages for personal injury remains.
- *De facto Relationships*. Report is completed and with the printer.
- Community Law Reform Program: Interest on Certain Debts. Report published and was approved in early April 1983 by NSW Cabinet for implementation by legislation.

New Zealand Law Reform Committees

• See [1982] Reform 150 and [1983] Reform 89.

New Zealand Property Law and Equity Reform Committee (NZPLERC)

- Positive Covenants Running with the Land. Report in preparation. WIH.
- Share Premium Reserve Dividends. Report published
- Capital Profit Dividends. Report in preparation.
- Law Relating to Watercourses and Adjacent land. Interim report near completion.
- Law Relating to Landlord and Tenant. WIH, extended to a review of the substantive law.