

ports of these bodies under examination.

- *Law Relating to Charitable Trusts in Victoria*. Draft report awaiting consideration by new Committee
- *Public Liability of Voluntary Organisations*. Draft report awaiting consideration by new Committee. Hopefully will be tabled by end of 1988.
- *Use of Action for Breach of Confidence as a means of Protecting Personal Privacy*. WIH.
- *Freedom of Information Act 1982*. Written Submissions are currently being received. They will be examined by the new committee.
- *Subordinate Legislation*. The Committee had considered up to SR 204/1988 by the time the Committee was dissolved, pending the Victorian State election.

Western Australian Law Reform Commission (WALRC)

- *Criminal Process and Mental Disorders*. WIH on report.
- *Payment of Witnesses in Civil Proceedings*. WIH on report
- *Medical Treatment of the Dying*. DP issued. Comments being considered
- *Medical Treatment of Minors*. DP issued.
- *Police Act Offences*. WIH on DP
- *Medical Research Records*. WIH on DP.
- *Administration of Assets of the Solvent Estates of Deceased Persons in the Payment of Debts and Legacies*. Work on report completed.
- *Local Court Act and Rules*. Work on report completed.

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new references

ALRC

- Community Law Reform for the ACT – Guardianship and Management of Property.

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areas of law currently under review

Administrative law

NLRC *Administrative Appeals*. DP 'Appeals from Administrative Decisions: Appellate Structure' is under consideration. May be released later in 1988.

Admiralty

ALRC *Admiralty*. WIH on report on the Criminal Admiralty Jurisdiction

Animals

NSWLRC *Dog Act*. Report completed

Bankruptcy

ALRC *Insolvency*. WIH on report. Due for tabling late 1988.

Births, deaths and marriages

NSWLRC *Registration and Certification of Births and Deaths*. Report nearing completion.

By-laws and regulations

VLCC *Subordinate Legislation*. The Committee had considered up to SR 204/1988 by the time the Committee was dissolved, pending the Victorian State election.

Charities

VLCC *Law Relating to Charitable Trusts in Victoria*. Draft report awaiting consideration by new Committee
Public Liability of Voluntary Organisations. Draft report awaiting consideration by new Committee. Hopefully will be tabled by end of 1988.

Civil rights

RCCL (Review of Commonwealth Criminal Law) Discussion Paper on Human Rights in Relation to the Commonwealth Criminal Law, 1988, DP15.

VCCL *Australian Constitutional Convention and Constitutional Commission*. Reports of these bodies under examination.

Class actions

ALRC *Class Actions*. WIH on report. Due for tabling late in the Budget session of Parliament.

Contempt of court

NSWLRC *Criminal Procedure*. Contempt of Court. WIH

Courts and judges

RCCL Discussion Paper on Offences Relating to the Administration of Justice, 1988, DP16.

NSWLRC *Alternative Dispute Resolution*. IP in preparation.

VLCC *Delays in Courts*. WIH

WALRC *Local Court Act and Rules*. Work on report completed.

Credit

NSWLRC *Representations as to Credit: Requirement of Writing*. Report with printer.

VLRC *Redrafted Credit Act 1987*, Submission by the Hon. Tom Roper, Minister of Consumer Affairs to the Standing Committee of Consumer Affairs Ministers.

Criminal law

RCCL Discussion Paper on Part VII of the Crimes Act, 1988, DP17. Discussion Paper on Penalties, 1988, DP 18.

VLRC Discussion Paper on Mental Malfunctioning and Criminal Responsibility, 1988, DP14.

WALRC *Criminal Process and Mental Disorders*. WIH on report.

Criminal procedure

NSWLRC *Criminal Procedure: Procedure before Trial*. WIH.

Criminal Procedure: Codification and Classification. WIH.

Criminal Procedure: Appeals in Criminal Cases. WIH.

Criminal Procedure: Police Powers of Detention and Questioning. Report nearing completion.

Criminal Procedure: Contempt of Court. WIH.

Criminal Procedure: Sentencing. WIH.

TasLRC *Criminal Law and Procedure: Criminal Code S323, Alternative Verdicts*. WIH.

Criminal Law and Procedure: Compulsory Identification Parades. WIH

Criminal Law and Procedure: Regulations relating to the Refrigeration etc. of Blood taken for Blood Alcohol Tests. WIH

Criminal Law and Procedure: Criminal Code. S157(1)(c), Murder. WIH

Criminal Law and Procedure: Provisions in the Evidence Act Governing the Competence and Compellability of Spouses to give Evidence. WIH

Insanity, Intoxication and Automatism under the Tasmanian Criminal Code. WIH

Customs and excise

ALRC *Customs*. WIH on papers on the offshore applications of the Act, installations and cargo control. WIH on draft provisions on administration, offshore applications of the Act and passenger processing.

Damages

ALRC *Community Law Reform*. Pre-judgment interest on Damages. WIH on DP.

Evidence

NSWLRC *Evidence*. Report released.

TasLRC *Australian Law Reform Commission Draft Evidence Bill*. WIH
Provisions in the Evidence Act Governing the Competance and Compellability of Spouses to give Evidence. WIH

WALRC *Payment of Witnesses in Civil Proceedings*. WIH on report

Family law

NLRC Report on De Facto Relationships, 1988, No13.

Infants and children

ALRC *Community Law Reform*. Guardianship and Management of Property. WIH.

Tas LRC *Child Witnesses*. Draft Report has been prepared.

Insurance

NSWLRC *Assurance Fund*. IP in preparation.

Landlord and tenant

TasLRC *Shopping Centre Leases*. WIH

Liens

NSWLRC *Disposal of Uncollected Goods*. Report completed.

Medicine and the law

NSWLRC Report on *In Vitro Fertilization*, 1988, LRC 58.

Discussion Paper on *Surrogate Motherhood*, 1988, DP18.

Informed Consent to Medical Treatment. Draft report under consideration.

WALRC Discussion Paper on Medical Treatment for Minors, Project 77, 1988.

Medical Treatment of the Dying. DP issued. Comments being considered

Medical Research Records. WIH on DP.

Mental illness

ALRC *Community Law Reform*. Enduring Powers of Attorney. Report due for tabling in Budget session.

TasLRC *Insanity, Intoxication and Automatism under the Tasmanian Criminal Code*. WIH

WALRC *Criminal Process and Mental Disorders*. WIH on report.

VLRC Discussion Paper on *Mental Malfunctioning and Criminal Responsibility*, 1988, DP14.

Perpetuities and accumulations

NLRC *Rules Against Perpetuities and Accumulations*. WIH on report. Due to be completed by December 1988.

Police

NSWLRC *Police Powers of Detention and Questioning*. Report nearing completion.

Police offences

WALRC *Police Act Offences*. WIH on DP

Privacy

VLCC *Use of Action for Breach of Confidence as a means of Protecting Personal Privacy*. WIH.
Freedom of Information Act 1982. Written submissions are currently being received. They will be examined by the new committee.

Products liability

ALRC Discussion Paper on *Product Liability*, 1988, DP34.

Product Liability Research Paper on *Product Liability Laws and Policies*, 1988, RP1.

Real property and conveyancing

NSWLRC *Dividing Fences*. Final report nearing completion.

Jurisdiction of NSW Courts over Foreign Land. Completed by memorandum to the Attorney General.

QLRC *Real Property Act*. WIH

Sale of goods

NSWLRC *Sale of Goods*. WIH

Sentencing and prisons

ALRC Report on *Sentencing*, 1988, No44 – tabled 25 August 1988.

NSWLRC Criminal Procedure – Sentencing. WIH

Torts

TasLRC *Civil Procedure*. Occupiers' Liability report released.

NSWLRC *Contribution between Persons Liable for the Same Damage*. WIH

Wills

WALRC *Administration of Assets of the Solvent Estates of Deceased Persons in the Payment of Debts and Legacies*. Work on report completed.

Other

NSWLRC

- *The Rule in Bain v Fothergill*. WIH
- *Neighbour and Neighbour*. WIH