

Northern Territory Young Lawyers *Advocacy Workshop*

The Launch of the Northern Territory Young Lawyers Association was held on 25 February 1993. The Association had a large response from young lawyers in the Darwin area and hopes that practitioners in their first five years of practice in other areas of the Territory will also seek to join the Association.

The Association is a specialist body created to represent, advocate for and further the interests of the junior members of the legal profession.

The Association has close links with the NT Law Society, the Law Council of Australia standing committee on young lawyers, and other state and territory young lawyer bodies. Through these close links the Association will have input into the future of the legal profession both in the Territory and nationally,

The Association hopes to:

1. advocate for and protect the rights and interests of young lawyers both locally and nationally with respect to issues such as mutual recognition, jobs for graduates and women in the profession;
2. advocate on behalf of articulated clerks with respect to the structure of articles

(in order to ensure that all articulated clerks receive a requisite standard of legal training during their articles);

3. provide some liaison between University graduates and the profession. In this respect we aim to provide some practical guidance to students through a liaison with the NT Student Law Society;
4. provide an avenue for networking and peer support between junior practitioners;
5. provide an input into law reform or special interests, such as access to and the cost of justice, AIDS in the workplace and women in the law;
6. run various practical continuing legal education workshops and lectures.

The Association's first advocacy workshop will be presented in conjunction with William Forster chambers on Saturday 19 March 1994. The full day course commences at 9.00 and will require participants to present arguments in a criminal plea and an interlocutory injunction. Participants will have the opportunity to review their performance by video. Only a limited 20 places are available and the Association suggests that intending

participants register early. A registration form appears at the bottom of this page.

This workshop is the first of a series of practically focused workshops which the Association will conduct during the course of the year as part of its program to provide practical legal training for lawyers in their first five years of practice. Other proposed workshop topics are:

1. A practical guide to the Work Health Act. This CLE will include drafting and presentation of applications;
2. Local Court costs - the mystery made simple;
3. Trial advocacy;
4. Drafting of litigation pleadings; and
5. Drafting of commercial documents.

The Association boasts the patronage of His Honor Justice Angel of the Northern Territory Supreme Court.

The Association hopes for support from the wider legal general community and in this regard welcomes any queries, offers of assistance and ideas. Please contact Samantha Miles or Erin Padarin of Philip & Miatros on 817 333 if you have any on the above.

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NT Young Lawyers in conjunction with William Forster Chambers

Advocacy Workshop

Date: Saturday 19 March 1994

Place: Industrial Relations Commission
Construction House
Cnr of Mitchell and Briggs Streets

Time: 9.00 - 5.00

Please note: It is a condition of your attendance that you sign a disclaimer and indemnity excluding the Association its members, William Forster Chambers and the Industrial Relations Commission from any liability

Name: _____

Business Address: _____

Current Position: _____ No of Years since your first admission: _____

I enclose \$30.00 in payment of the course fee.

(Registrations without payment will not be considered).

(Signature)

Places are strictly limited, preference will be given to Association members. Please fill in this form and return to Samantha Miles, Philip & Miatros, GPO Box 612, Darwin with your cheque.