Changes to transcript charges

Current Supreme Court transcript charges:

(1) Printed transcript of Darwin Supreme Court, Court Criminal Appeal or tribunal proceedings \$7.70 \$8.27	
(2) Printed transcript of Alice Springs Supreme Court, C of Criminal Appeal or tribunal proceedings \$7.50 \$7.95	
**Multiple order charges may apply as follows:	
(a) Where transcript is ordered at the commencement of proceedings by two parties:	\$4.50 per page
(b) Where transcript is ordered at the commencement of proceedings by three parties:	\$3.50 per page
(c) Where transcript is ordered at the commencement of proceedings by four or more parties:	\$3.00 per page
(3) Certification	\$10.00 per transcript
(4) Transcript on diskette at page rate plus	\$3.50 per diskette
(5) Additional copies of transcript	\$1.00 per page

Appointment of Judicial Registrars of Industrial Relations Court

Federal Attorney-General Michael Lavarch and the Industrial Relations Minister Laurie Brereton have announced the appointment of Marleen Boon and Jenny Blokland as part-time Judicial Registrars of the Industrial Relations Court of Australia.

Ms Boon has practised as a solicitor since 1980 and has experience in a variety of jurisdictions, including criminal law, civil law and workers' compensation. She holds degrees in jurisprudence, law and economics plus a Masters in Industrial Relations. In 1987 she was awarded the Shell Prize for the most outstanding student in industrial relations at the University of Western Australia.

Ms Boon is presently working with the Youth Legal Service as a part-time civil lawyer specialising in litigation.

She is the second Judicial Registrar to be appointed in Western Australia and will be located in Perth for the five-year term.

Ms Blokland has been a barrister and solicitor since 1981. She is presently a senior lecturer with the Faculty of Law at the Northern Territory University. Ms Blokland has also gained wide experience as a general practitioner with the Australian Legal Aid Office in Darwin and the Northern Australian Aboriginal Legal Aid Office.

She is the first Judicial Registrar to be appointed in the Northern Territory. Ms Blokland will be located in Darwin and her appointment is also for five years.

The Ministers said the appointments were most welcome as they would assist the court in dealing with an ever increasing caseload of matters involving alleged unlawful termination of employment.

Community Legal Service needs volunteers

Darwin Community Legal Service needs volunteer solicitors for its three "drop in" legal advice sessions in Darwin, Casuarina and Palmerston each week.

People eligible for unrestricted practising certificates are especially welcome.

Vacancies emerge on the roster of volunteers as solicitors leave Darwin or withdraw from the service due to work commitments.

Each solicitor is allocated to one shift every four weeks.

A shift runs for approximately two-and-a-half hours.

Shifts are staffed by two or three solicitors and one or two other volunteers, mainly law students.

Clients present with a diverse range of problems, but the most common ones include consumer matters, debt, family law, employment, tenancy problems plus motor vehicle and work injuries.

The service offers free advice, minor assistance (such as help in drafting a letter) and referrals to other agencies.

These agencies include organisations such as Darwin Legal Aid Commission, private solicitors, government agencies and community services.

More than 60 solicitors and other volunteers have assisted almost 3000 clients since the first free service began in August, 1991.

If you would like to be involved or require further information contact Sally Rush or Gordon Renouf at Darwin Community Legal Service by calling 41 3394.

