## ALTERNATIVE LAW JOURNAL (NT EDITION) - CALL FOR PAPERS

Is there an NT legal issue that you are interested in that you would like to research for publication? The NT Alternative Law Journal Editorial Committee will be editing the October Edition of the Alternative Law Journal. The NT Committee is seeking expressions of interest from persons wishing to submit an article, brief, column, book review, mention or letter to the editor, under the theme "Aboriginal People and the Constitution". The NT Edition will be published in October, and the Committee is requesting that drafts be submitted no later than 30 June 1999.

If you are interested in submitting a paper, you should do three things:

1.Contact NT Editor, Fiona Hussin on 8946 6963 to advise that you intend to submit an article. It would be helpful if an abstract (200 words max) could be provided ASAP.

2.Ensure that you have a copy of "Guidelines for Authors" which is published by the Alternative Law Journal. If you do not, please contact Fiona Hussin requesting a copy.

3. Submit the final draft to the NT Committee by 30 June 1999 at the following address:

Fiona Hussin NT Editor Alternative Law Journal C/- NTU Faculty of Law CASUARINA NT 0909

## LEGAL WRITING COMPETITION

The Commonwealth Lawyers Association (CLA) announces the launch of the annual Commonwealth Young Lawyers Legal Writing Competition. The title of the 1999 paper is: "Strategies for Implementing International Human Rights Standards in the 21st Century: Are Existing Methods and Mechanisms Sufficient?". Papers are welcome from young lawyers<sup>1</sup> practising in all Commonwealth jurisdictions. The winning author will receive full sponsorship to attend the 12th Commonwealth Law Conference in Malaysia in September 1999. The top five papers will be published in the journal of the CLA "The Commonwealth Lawyer". The winning essay will be chosen by a panel of distinguished judges, each of whom has some interest and experience in international human rights from a practising, academic or campaigning perspective. In alphabetical order they are:

- Richard Bourne- Chair, Commonwealth Human Rights Institute, Trustee Committee;
- Mel James International Human Rights Executive, Law Society of England and Wales;
- Colin Nicholls QC England and Wales, CLA Council Member;
- Richard Nzerem Director, Legal and Constitutional Affairs Division, Commonwealth Secretariat;
- Lelia Seth Retired Judge, Member of the Indian Law Commission, India;
- Lt Col Hurley Whithorne Attorney, Jamaica, CLA Council Member;
- Jim Vilvang QC Canada, CLA Council Member.

Entries which must be typed, no more than 2,000 words and unpublished, original work, should reach the Commonwealth Lawyers Association by 18 June 1999 with a proof of eligibility<sup>2</sup>. The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Please mark your entry to the attention of: Commonwealth Lawyers Association International Directorate The Law Society 113-114 Chancery Lane LONDON WC1A 2PL UNITED KINGDOM Fax: 0015 44 171 831 0057

<sup>1</sup>Young lawyers are those who were called to the bar or admitted to practise after 1 September 1994 and under the age of 35.

<sup>2</sup>As proof of eligibility, a copy of a practising certificate and proof of age is required.