CONFERENCES

30 March 2006 Employment Law & IR Conference: Understanding and Preparing for the new WorkChoices changes Brisbane Hilton, Queensland CMS- Chilli Marketing Solutions Contact: George Katrivesis Tel: 02 9818 6566 Fax: 02 9818 6577 Email: george@chillimarketing.com.au www.chillimarketing.com.au

30th - 31 March 2006 Internatonal Arbitration: Taking Stock of Contemprapry Developments Athens, Greece International Association of Lawyers Tel: +33 1 4488 5566 Fax: +33 1 4488 5577 Email: uiacentre@uianet.org www.uianet.org

30 March - 1 April 2006 Family fortunes in unfortunate business situations Rotterdam, Netherlands International Association of Young Lawyers www.aija.org/

31 March 2006 Impact of Relationship Breakdowns and Special Family Circumstances on Estate Planning Brisbane Marriott Hotel LexisNexis Tel: 07 3335 0993 Fax: 07 3335 0990 Email: angela.kurtz@lexisnexis.com.au www.lexisnexis.com.au/aus/ conferences/default.asp

6 - 7 April 2006 9th Annual AIJA Tribunals Conference Canberra, ACT Australian Institute of Judicial Administration Tel: 03 9372 7182 Fax: 03 9372 7184 Email: aija@ammp.com.au www.aija.org.au

27 April 2006 Superannuation Intensive Brisbane Marriott Hotel LexisNexis Tel: 07 3335 0993 Fax: 07 3335 0990 Email: angela.kurtz@lexisnexis.com.au www.lexisnexis.com.au/aus/ conferences/

28 - 29 April 2006 **2nd Antitrust Spring Conference** Sydney, New South Wales International Bar Association & Business Law Section of the Law Council of Australia Tel: 02 6246 3718 Fax: 02 6248 0639 Email: carol.osullivan@lawcouncil. asn.au

Court Library Notes

COMMENCEMENT DATES FOR NT LEGISLATION

In the library several clients have asked us recently about commencement dates or have been confused about when we have not amended legislation immediately on receipt.

An act or item of subordinate legislation does not become law until it has commenced. It is only after commencement that legislation will appear in the Current Northern Territory Legislation database available through the Legislative Assembly website - <u>http://www.nt.gov.au/lant/hansard/hansard.shtml</u> If you need to see the act as passed it is available in the Register of Legislation, by year and act/regulation number.

Acts - If there is no commencement clause in the act, it commences on the date of assent of the Administrator; this date appears on the front page of the act. A commencement clause can be of several different forms. It can specify a set date – This act commences on 1 July 2004. It can specify that the act commences when another piece of legislation does – This Act comes into operation on the commencement of the Volatile Substance Abuse Prevention Act 2005. The clause can also indicate the act comes into operation on a date to be fixed by the Administrator in the Gazette.

Regulations – Regulations generally commence on the date on which they are gazetted. Occasionally there is a commencement clause but this is rare. The NT Government Gazette G series appears weekly for 50 weeks of the year and it is in this series that most of the notices about legislation appear. The S series also has some notices and this series is irregular. From 1 December 2004 the NT Government Gazette can be found online at <u>http://www. nt.gov.au/ntg/gazette.shtml</u>

The library has a database for the commencement dates for all NT Acts and subordinate legislation since 1978. Library staff are gradually adding in the details of the second reading speeches.

We issue legislation updates regularly. If you would like to ask about a specific piece of legislation or to be placed on the list to receive updates about legislation, please contact the library by phone in Darwin on 8999 6583 or in Alice Springs on 8951 5707 or by email on <u>doj.cts.library@nt.gov.au</u>.

ALTERNATIVE LAW BULLETIN

In 2006 this journal will be changing to a quarterly publication schedule rather than monthly. They now have a website which has abstracts of articles and from which it is possible to download articles.

The address is http://www.altlj.org/

The Alternative Law Journal is an Australian, refereed law journal focusing on social justice, human rights and law reform, critique of the legal system, developments in alternative practice and community legal education. CONFERENCES 17 - 18 May 2006 Profit Maximisation and Financial Management for Law Firms Sydney Marriott Hotel Ark Group Australia Tel: 1300 550 662 Fax: 1300 550 663 Email: bfarnsworth@arkgroupasia.com www.ark-group.com/

26 May 2006 Conveyancing Young Lawyer and Paralegal Conference Brisbane Marriott Hotel LexisNexis Tel: 07 3335 0996 Fax: 07 3335 0990 Email: yvette.koster@lexisnexis.com.au www.lexisnexis.com.au/aus/ conferences/

30 May 2006 Family Law Young Lawyers Day Brisbane Marriott Hotel LexisNexis Tel: 07 3335 0993 Fax: 07 3335 0990 Email: angela.kurtz@lexisnexis.com.au www.lexisnexis.com.au/aus/ conferences/

31 May 2006 Family Law Masterclass Brisbane Marriott Hotel LexisNexis Tel: 07 3335 0993 Fax: 07 3335 0990 Email: angela.kurtz@lexisnexis.com.au www.lexisnexis.com.au/aus/ conferences/

7-9 June 2006 **3rd International Conference on Therapeutic Jurisprudence** Perth, Western Australia Australian Institute of Judicial Administration Tel: 03 9600 1311 Fax: 03 9606 0366 Email: aija@law.monash.edu.au www.aija.org.au

5-7 June 2006 Australian Copyright Council Seminars: Copyright Essentials, Moral Rights, Recent Developments, Education, Libraries and Government Darwin, Northern Territory Australian Copyright Council Tel: 02 9699 3247 Fax: 02 9698 3536 Email: info@copyright.org.au www.copyright.org.au/training/ trainingprogram/training2006.htm

14-15 June 2006 **Financial services reform second anniversary - where next?** Melbourne, Victoria Monash University Business Law and Taxation Tel: 03 9905 2379 Fax: 03 9905 9111 www.buseco.monash.edu.au/depts/blt/ fin_services_reform_workshop.php

> 22-24 June 2006 International Commercial Arbitration Summit 2006 Cannes, France Chilli Marketing Solutions Contact: George Katrivesis Tel: 02-9543 0499 Fax: 02-9543 0455 www.chillimarketing.com.au

29 June 2006 QLS Elder Law Conference Law Society House, Brisbane Tel: 07 3842 5866 Fax: 07 3221 2279 Email: k.mcwhinnie@qls.com.au www.qls.com.au

30 June - 1 July 2006 Access to Justice: How much is too much? Prato, Italy Monash University Tel: 03 9905 3371 Fax: 03 9905 9903 Email: legal.conference@law. monash.edu.au www.law.monash.edu.au/conference/ prato

2 - 6 July 2006 Justice for All - Victims, Defendants, Prisoners and the Community Brisbane, Queensland The International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law Fax: 07 3229 4124 Email: isrcl2006@cdpp.gov.au www.isrcl.org

14 - 15 July 2006 **Financial services reform second anniversary - where next?** Melbourne Monash University Business Law and Taxation Contact: Paul Latimer Tel: 03 9905 2379 Fax: 03 9905 9111 Email: Paul.Latimer@buseco. monash.edu.au www.buseco.monash.edu.au/depts/ blt/fin_services_reform_workshop. php

18-22 October 2006 10th International Criminal Law Congress: 'Law and Order on Trial' Perth, Western Australia The Criminal Lawyers Association of WA Tel: 03 9682 0244 Fax: 03 9682 0288 icms.com.au/crimlaw

22-26 October 2006 **12th National Family Law Conference** Perth, Western Australia Contact: Family Law Section Email: famlaw@congresswest.com. au

27 - 28 October 2006 6th Annual Legal Management Summit Surfers Paradise Marriott Australian Legal Practice Management Association Contact: Jenny Watson Tel: 0414 618 629 Fax: 07 3824 1475 Email: alpmaqld@bigpond.net.au www.alpma.com.au

1 - 3 November 2006 2006 AILA National Conference Sydney, New South Wales AILA Contact: Henrietta Caddy Tel: 02 9252 3574 Fax: 02 9439 1900 Email: hcaddy@conferenceworld. com.au www.aila.com.au/conference

22 - 25 March 2007 Australian Legal Convention Sydney, New South Wales Law Council of Australia Contact: Susan Welburn Tel: 02 6246 3788 Fax: 02 6248 0639 Email: susan.welburn@lawcouncil. asn.au