

but around the World. It is likely that the privacy legislation has, to date, been seen by businesses as a 'toothless tiger', given that compensation awards are historically low and that other penalties are virtually non-existent (with the exception of a public adverse determination). However, widespread reforms suggested by the Australian Law Reform Commission in their recent report into the privacy legislation in Australia

will, if enacted, put an end to that misperception with the introduction of an 'at fault' data breach notification system together with harsher penalties, including civil penalty provisions for serious breaches.

As the Government has, through the proposed reforms, indicated that it is willing to take data protection more seriously, organisations should also consider their current systems

for compliance and ensure documentation and procedures are up to date, to not only demonstrate to consumers that their privacy is taken seriously, but to also avoid the time and cost (and future penalties) involved in breaches of the Privacy Act.

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Justice Angel Celebrates 20th Anniversary

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in 1990 who travelled from Sydney. The event was organised under a veil of secrecy by Anita Angel, Karyn Wernham and Alana Cox. ↓

Left: Chris Cox gives presentation speech to Justice Angel

Below: (back l-r Rexine Lamshed, Lucy Lindbergh-Ostling, Amy Williamson, Bruce Wernham, Karyn Wernham, Nikolai Christrup, James Tierney, Samantha Miles, Sue Porter (front l-r Hannah Roe, Justice Angel, Joan Bourke, Anita Angel, Anthony Porthouse

On 8 May 2009 Justice Angel celebrated 20 years as a Supreme Court Judge. To celebrate this groundbreaking Territory event, some of the Judge's former and present associates and secretaries gathered for a surprise function on the Supreme Court balcony. The Judge was presented with the Inaugural Supreme Court Longevity Medal. Guests included Joan Bourke who was Angel J's executive assistant from 1997 – 2007 who travelled from Brisbane and Anthony Porthouse who was an associate

