

# Motions & mentions

## When best is not enough

After the conference at Alice Springs and Ayers Rock, a number of delegates including Sir Harry Gibbs and Lady Gibbs went on a post-conference tour to Kakadu, Katherine Gorge and Darwin. During the visit to Kakadu, the group spent a morning on the Alligator River inspecting crocodiles. At the end of the tour the guide, having heard the group consisted of lawyers, asked whether anybody was a Justice of the Peace because he needed a witness for his liquor licence renewal application. Sir Harry, on the basis of some obscure constitutional doctrine which deems Justices of the High Court to be Justices of the Peace, immediately volunteered and witnessed the signature "H.T.GIBBS, Chief Justice of Australia". The guide then proceeded, in language not normally heard in the High Court, to complain that his form had been ruined because he needed a Justice of the Peace and in any event he obviously had serious doubts about the authenticity of the attestation.

Bets are being taken on the likelihood of the form being accepted by the Northern Territory Liquor Licensing authorities.

## Coming events

**5-6 September 1986:** Canberra. National Environmental Law Association Conference. Contact: Richard Arthur, GPO Box 946, Canberra ACT 2601. (062) 48 5222.

**7-12 September 1986:** New York. International Fiscal Association Annual Congress. Contact: Roger Hamilton, DX 361 Sydney (02) 234 7380.

**7-13 September 1986:** Jamaica. 8th Commonwealth Law Conference. Contact: Compass Travel, PO Box 222, Albert Park, Victoria 3206 (008) 331 429.

**11 September 1986:** San Francisco, CA. Resolution of International Commercial Disputes. Contact: IBA, 2 Harewood Place, London W1R 9HB.

**14-19 September 1986:** New York. International Bar Association, 31 Biennial Meeting. Contact: IBA (see above).

**18 September 1986 (for 8 or 12 days):** Hong Kong, China. Family Law Conference — Queensland Family Law Practitioners Association and Queensland Law Society. Contact: Jenny Hansen, QLS (07) 229 3911.

**17-19 October 1986:** Hobart. Ninth National Conference of Labor Lawyers. Contact: Judy Jackson, 7 Beddome Street, Sandy Bay, Tas. 7005.

**1-3 November 1986:** Canberra 13th International Trade Law Conference. Contact: Keith Holland, Attorney-General's Department (062) 71 9111.

**13-14 November 1986:** Hong Kong. Protection of Sellers in Transnational Sales: Letters of Credit and Beyond. Contact: IBA (see above).

**20-21 November 1986:** Brussels. Trading with and Involvement in China. Contact: IBA (see above).

**24-25 November 1986:** Frankfurt. National and International Financing of Commercial Real Estate. Contact: IBA (see above).

**27-28 November 1986:** London. International Competition Law. Contact: IBA (see above).

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## Supreme Court of NSW

### Appointment of Sittings for 1987

| Court                  | Commencing date                       | Duration of Sittings (weeks) |
|------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Central Criminal Court | Monday 2nd February                   | 46                           |
| <b>Others:</b>         |                                       |                              |
| Sydney                 | Monday 2nd February                   | 46                           |
| Albury                 | Monday 2nd March                      | 3                            |
| Armidale               | Monday 9th November                   | 1                            |
| Bathurst               | Monday 12th October                   | 3                            |
| Broken Hill            | Monday 10th August                    | 3                            |
| Coffs Harbour          | Monday 18th May                       | 2                            |
| Dubbo                  | Monday 1st June                       | 3                            |
| Goulburn               | Monday 9th February                   | 3                            |
| Grafton                | Monday 31st August                    | 3                            |
| Griffith               | Monday 21st September                 | 3                            |
| Lismore                | Monday 22nd June                      | 3                            |
| Narrabri               | Monday 10th August                    | 1                            |
| Newcastle              | Monday 9th February (Civil—Jury)      | 3                            |
|                        | Monday 9th March (Criminal)           | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 30th March (Civil, Non-Jury)   | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 27th April (Criminal)          | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 25th May (Civil—Jury)          | 3                            |
|                        | Monday 22nd June (Civil—Non—Jury)     | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 13th July (Criminal)           | 2                            |
|                        | Tuesday 4th August (Civil, Jury)      | 3                            |
|                        | Monday 7th September (Civil—Non Jury) | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 12th October (Criminal)        | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 9th November (Civil—Jury)      | 3                            |
| Orange                 | Monday 2nd March                      | 3                            |
| Tamworth               | Monday 27th April                     | 3                            |
| Wagga Wagga            | Monday 13th July                      | 3                            |
| Wollongong             | Monday 16th February (Civil—Jury)     | 3                            |
|                        | Monday 30th March (Criminal)          | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 27th April (Civil, Non-Jury)   | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 1st June (Civil—Jury)          | 3                            |
|                        | Monday 6th July (Criminal)            | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 24th August (Civil, Non-Jury)  | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 26th October (Criminal)        | 2                            |
|                        | Monday 16th November (Civil—Jury)     | 2                            |

The fixed vacation begins on 21st December, 1987 and the first day of term in 1988 will be 1st February.