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## Recent law reform publications and areas of law under review

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This edition of Clearing house covers ongoing inquiries and publications released from December 2007 to May 2008.

### **Abortion**

#### **VLRC**

Law of Abortion, March 2008 [released May 2008] (R 15).

### **Administrative Law**

#### **ALRI**

Revised model code of procedures for Administrative Tribunal—CP expected mid-2008.

#### **ARC**

Government agency coercive information-gathering powers—June 2008 (R48).

Administrative review mechanisms in areas of complex and specific business regulation—WIH on inquiry.

#### **COmb**

Notification of Decisions and Review Rights for Unsuccessful Visa Applications, December 2007 (R 15/2007).

#### **NCCUSL**

Revised Model State Administrative Procedure Act—new draft April 2008.

Administrative procedures for interstate compact entities—WIH by study committee.

#### **QLCARC**

Accessibility of Administrative Justice, April 2008 (R).

### **Adoption**

#### **HMCS(UK)**

Public Law Family Fees, December 2007 (CP).

#### **ILRC**

Aspects of Intercountry Adoption Law, February 2008 (R 89).

### **Agriculture**

#### **ACIP**

Enforcement of plant breeder's rights—final report expected late 2008.

### **Animals**

#### **VLRC**

Legal status of assistance animals—WIH on inquiry.

### **Associations**

#### **BCLI**

Proposals for a new Society Act—WIH on inquiry.

#### **HKLRC**

Charities—WIH on inquiry.

#### **NCCUSL**

Omnibus Business Organizations Act—new draft February 2008.

Regulation of charities—WIH by drafting committee.

Uniform Unincorporated Non-Profit Association Act—new draft March 2008.

#### **Scot Law Com**

Unincorporated associations—DP expected 2008.

**Bankruptcy & Insolvency**

**CAMAC**

Issues in External Administration, February 2008 (DP).

Long-tail liabilities: the treatment of future unascertained personal injury claims—WIH on inquiry.

Shareholder claims against insolvent companies: implications of the Sons of Gwalia decision—WIH on inquiry.

**Scot LRC**

Report on Sharp v Thomson (Protection of Purchasers Buying from Insolvent Sellers), December 2007 (R 208).

**Child Protection**

AGD(SAust)  
Children in State Care Commission of Inquiry: Allegations of Sexual Abuse and Death from Criminal Conduct, March 2008 (R).

**HMCS(UK)**

Public Law Family Fees, December 2007 (CP).

**Children and Young People**

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Children in State Care Commission of Inquiry: Allegations of Sexual Abuse and Death from Criminal Conduct, March 2008 (R).

**DoFP(NI)**

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**FLC**

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**HKLRC**

Causing or allowing the death of a child—WIH on inquiry.

**ILC**

Proposal to Amend the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 and Other Allied Laws, February 2008 (R 205).

**MoJ(UK)**

Children and Adoption Act 2006—Court Rules, May 2008 (CP).

**NCCUSL**

Hague Convention on the Protection of Children—WIH by study committee.

Relocation of Children Act—WIH by drafting committee.

**NSWLRC**

Minors' consent to medical treatment—report expected 2008.

**NSWLCLJ**

The Prohibition on the Publication of Names of Children Involved in Criminal Proceedings, April 2008 (R).

**TLRI**

Male circumcision—WIH on new inquiry.

**WALC**

Surrogacy Bill 2007, May 2008 (R).

**Commercial Law**

**Man LRC**

Franchise law—WIH on inquiry.

**MoJ(UK)**

Rome I—Should the UK Opt In?, April 2008 (CP).

**NCCUSL**

Record Owners of Business Act—new draft January 2008.

**Commissions of Inquiry**

**ALRC**

Privilege in Perspective: Client Legal Privilege in Federal Investigations, December 2007 [released February 2008] (R 107).

**NZLC**

A New Inquiries Act, May 2008 (R 102).

**Compensation**

**Law Com**

Remedies against public bodies—consultation paper expected mid-2008.

**LRCWA**

Compensation for injurious affection—WIH on report.

**Consumer Protection**

**PC**

Review of Australia's Consumer Policy Framework, May 2008 (R).

**Scot LRC**

Report on Sharp v Thomson (Protection of Purchasers Buying from Insolvent Sellers), December 2007 (R 208).

**Treasury**  
Criminal Penalties for Serious Cartel Conduct, January 2008 (DP).

**Contracts**

**ALRI**  
Privity of contract and third party beneficiaries—WIH on inquiry.

**ILRC**  
Privity of Contract and Third Party Rights, February 2008 (R 88).

**Man LRC**  
Waiver and personal liability—WIH on inquiry.

**MoJ(UK)**  
Rome I—Should the UK Opt In?, April 2008 (CP).

**Corporations Law**

**CAMAC**  
Issues in External Administration, February 2008 (DP).

Long-tail liabilities: the treatment of future unascertained personal injury claims—WIH on inquiry.

Shareholder claims against insolvent companies: implications of the Sons of Gwalia decision—WIH on inquiry.

**PJCCFS**  
Inquiry into shareholder engagement and participation—WIH on inquiry.

**Corrections**

**MoJ(UK)**  
Securing the Future: Proposals for the Efficient and Sustainable Use of Custody in England and Wales, December 2007 (R).

**NSWSC**  
Review of Periodic Detention, December 2007 (R).

**Court Rules and Procedures**

(see also **Evidence, Juries**)

**AGD (SAust)**  
South Australian Dust Disease Regulations: Discussion and Proposals for Amendment, March 2008 (DP).

**ALRI**  
Court rules and procedures—report expected June 2008.

Criminal appeals—WIH on inquiry.

**HKLRC**  
Class actions—WIH on inquiry.

**ILRC**  
Limitation of actions—WIH on inquiry.

**JCS(ACT)**  
Reforms to Court Jurisdiction, Committal Processes and the Election for Judge Alone Trials, May 2008 (DP).

**Law Com**  
The High Court's jurisdiction in relation to criminal proceedings—WIH on inquiry.

**LRCWA**  
Problem-Oriented Courts, March 2008 (Research Paper).

Review of coronial practice—WIH on new inquiry.

**Man LRC**  
Limitation of actions—WIH on inquiry.

**MoJ(UK)**  
Forced Marriage (Civil Protection) Act 2007—Relevant Third Party, December 2007 (CP).

Administration and Enforcement Restriction Orders, January 2008 (CP).

Forced Marriage (Civil Protection) Act 2007—Court Rules, January 2008 (CP).

Children and Adoption Act 2006—Court Rules, May 2008 (CP).

**NZLC**  
Draft Limitation Defences Bill, December 2007.

Habeas Corpus Refining the Procedure, February 2008 (R 100).

Development of comprehensive Criminal Procedures Act—WIH on inquiry.

**SALRC**  
Review of administration orders—WIH on inquiry.

Use of electronic equipment in court proceedings—WIH on inquiry.

### **Scot Law Com**

Personal Injury Actions: Limitations and Prescribed Claims, December 2007 (R 207).

Crown Appeals, March 2008 (DP 137).

Damages for wrongful death—report expected late 2008.

### **TLRI**

Contempt of court—WIH on issues paper.

### **VLRC**

Civil Justice Review: Report, May 2008 (R 14).

Jury directions—WIH on new inquiry.

### **Courts**

#### **HMCS(UK)**

Public Law Family Fees, December 2007 (CP).

#### **ILRC**

Consolidation and reform of the Courts Act—WIH on inquiry.

### **Law Com**

The High Court's jurisdiction in relation to criminal proceedings—WIH on inquiry.

#### **LRCWA**

Problem-Oriented Courts, March 2008 (Research Paper).

### **NCCUSL**

Hague Convention on Choice of Court Agreements—WIH by study committee.

### **VLRC**

Civil Justice Review: Report, May 2008 (R 14).

#### **VPLRC**

Vexatious litigants—report expected late 2008.

### **Criminal Investigation**

#### **ARC**

Government agency coercive information-gathering powers—(R 48)June 2008.

#### **HO(UK)**

Investigation Code of Practice Issued under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002, December 2007 (CP).

Search Code of Practice Issued under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002, December 2007 (CP).

### **NCCUSL**

Electronic recording of custodial interrogations—WIH by study committee.

### **Criminal Law**

(see also **Sentencing; Sexual Offences**)

#### **ALRI**

Criminal appeals—WIH on inquiry.

#### **HKLRC**

Causing or allowing the death of a child—WIH on inquiry.

Double jeopardy—WIH on inquiry.

Review of sexual offences—WIH on inquiry.

#### **HO(UK)**

The Consent Regime; Obligations to Report Money Laundering, December 2007 (CP).

#### **ILC**

Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure (Anticipatory Bail), December 2007 (R 203).

#### **ILRC**

Homicide: Murder and Involuntary Manslaughter, January 2008 (R 87).

Inchoate Offences, February 2008 (CP 48).

Defences in criminal law—WIH on report.

### **Law Com**

Conspiracy and attempts—WIH on inquiry.

Reforming bribery—WIH on inquiry.

#### **MCLOC**

Identity Crime, March 2008 (R).

#### **NSWLRC**

Complicity, January 2008 (CP 2).

Jury directions in criminal trials—WIH on inquiry.

People with cognitive and mental health impairments in the criminal justice system—WIH on inquiry.

**NZLC**

Admissibility of previous convictions—WIH on inquiry.

Criminal defences, insanity and infanticide—WIH on inquiry.

Development of comprehensive Criminal Procedures Act—WIH on inquiry.

Public safety and security—WIH on new inquiry.

**QLRC**

Review of the excuse of accident and the defences of provocation—DP expected June 2008.

**SALRC**

Stalking—WIH on inquiry.

Trafficking in persons—WIH on inquiry.

**Scot Law Com**

Crown Appeals, March 2008 (DP 137).

**TLRI**

Contempt of court—WIH on issues paper.

Criminal liability of drivers who fall asleep causing motor vehicle crashes resulting in death or serious injury—WIH on inquiry.

**Treasury**

Criminal Penalties for Serious Cartel Conduct, January 2008 (DP).

**WACDJC**

Inquiry into the Prosecution of Assaults and Sexual Offences, April 2008 (R).

**Customary Law**

**SALRC**

Customary Law of Succession, April 2004 [released March 2008] (R).

**De Facto Relationships**

**NSWLRC**

Relationships, June 2006 [released April 2008] (R 113).

**SALRC**

Domestic partnerships—WIH on inquiry.

**Death**

**HKLRC**

Causing or allowing the death of a child—WIH on inquiry.

**LRCWA**

Review of coronial practice—WIH on new inquiry.

**MoJ(UK)**

Sensitive Reporting in Coroners' Courts, March 2008 (DP).

**Scot Law Com**

Damages for wrongful death—report expected late 2008.

**Debt**

**BCLI**

Study Paper on Predatory Lending Issues in Canada, February 2008 (Study Paper).

**DoFP(NI)**

Missing Persons: Consultation on Draft Presumption of Death Bill (Northern Ireland) 2008, January 2008 (CP).

**MoJ(UK)**

Administration and Enforcement Restriction Orders, January 2008 (CP).

**NCCUSL**

Uniform Debt Management Act—amended finalised Act February 2008.

**Defamation**

**Man LRC**

Defamation—WIH on inquiry.

**Designs, Patents and Trade Marks**

**ACIP**

Post-grant patent enforcement strategies—DP expected mid-2008.

Review of patentable subject matter—WIH on new inquiry.

**Discrimination**

**VLRC**

Legal status of assistance animals—WIH on inquiry.

**Dispute Resolution**

**FLC**

Arbitrating family law property and financial matters—WIH on inquiry.

**ILRC**

Alternative dispute resolution—WIH on inquiry.

**Law Com**

Housing: Proportionate Dispute Resolution, May 2008 (R 309).

**NCCUSL**

Collaborative Law Act—new draft April 2008.

**SALRC**

Arbitration: family mediation—WIH on inquiry.

**VLRC**

Civil Justice Review: Report, May 2008 (R 14).

**VPLRC**

Alternative dispute resolution—WIH on inquiry.

**Domestic Violence**

**DoJ(NT)**

Mandatory Reporting of Domestic and Family Violence by Health Professionals, January 2008 (DP).

**FLC**

Family violence—WIH on report.

**HKLRC**

Causing or allowing the death of a child—WIH on inquiry.

**NZMJ**

A Review of the Domestic Violence Act 1995 and Related Legislation, December 2007 (DP).

**QLRC**

Review of the Peace and Good Behaviour Act—report completed, not yet released.

**Drugs**

**NCCUSL**

Model Drug Dependence Treatment and Rehabilitation Act—WIH by study committee.

**NZLC**

Review of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1975—WIH on new inquiry.

**Elder Law**

**HKLRC**

Enduring Powers of Attorney, March 2008 (R).

**Electoral System**

**NCCUSL**

Presidential Electors Act—WIH by drafting committee.

**QLCARC**

Electronic voting and other electoral matters—WIH on inquiry.

**Employment**

**NCCUSL**

Misuse of Genetic Information in Employment and Insurance Act—new draft February 2008.

**SALRC**

Protected disclosures—WIH on report.

**Environment**

**NCCUSL**

Environmental controls and hazards notice systems—WIH by study committee.

**Evidence**

**ILRC**

Documentary evidence and technology—WIH on new inquiry.

Hearsay in civil and criminal cases—WIH on new inquiry.

Law of expert evidence in criminal and civil matters—WIH on inquiry.

**NCCUSL**

Certification of Unsworn Foreign Declarations Act—WIH by drafting committee.

Electronic recording of custodial interrogations—WIH by study committee.

**NZLC**

Admissibility of previous convictions—WIH on inquiry.

**SALRC**

Review of the Law of Evidence, January 2008 (IP 26).

Review of the Law of Evidence (Hearsay and Relevance), March 2008 (DP 113).

**TLRI**

Tendency and coincidence evidence in sexual assault cases—WIH on inquiry.

**Family Law**

**DoFP(NI)**  
Contact with children—WIH on inquiry.

**FLC**  
Improving Post-Parenting Order Processes, September 2007 [released February 2008] (R).

Arbitrating family law property and financial matters—WIH on inquiry.

**Family violence—WIH on report**

**ILC**  
Proposal to Amend the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 and Other Allied Laws, February 2008 (R 205).

**Man LRC**  
Divorced spouses survivors' pension benefits—WIH on inquiry.

**MoJ(UK)**  
Forced Marriage (Civil Protection) Act 2007—Relevant Third Party, December 2007 (CP).

Forced Marriage (Civil Protection) Act 2007—Court Rules, January 2008 (CP).

Children and Adoption Act 2006—Court Rules, May 2008 (CP).

**NCCUSL**  
Amendments to Uniform Interstate Family Support Act—new draft May 2008.

Collaborative Law Act—new draft April 2008.

Hague Convention on the Protection of Children—WIH by study committee.

Relocation of Children Act—WIH by drafting committee.

**NSWLRC**  
Relationships, June 2006 [released April 2008] (R 113).

**SALRC**  
Arbitration: family mediation—WIH on inquiry.

Divorce—WIH on inquiry.

Matrimonial property law—WIH on inquiry.

**WALC**  
Surrogacy Bill 2007, May 2008 (R).

**Financial Services**

**BCLI**  
Study Paper on Predatory Lending Issues in Canada, February 2008 (Study Paper).

**HMT(UK)**  
Financial Stability and Depositor Protection: Strengthening the Framework, January 2008 (CP).

FSMA Market Abuse Regime: A Review of the Sunset Clauses, February 2008 (CP).

**NCCUSL**  
Bank deposits—WIH by study committee.

Implementation of the UN Convention on Independent Guarantees and Stand-alone Letters of Credit—WIH by drafting committee.

Payment systems—WIH by study committee.

**Treasury**  
Simple Superannuation Advice, May 2008 (CP).

**VPLRC**  
Property Investment Advisers and Marketeters, April 2008 (R).

**Freedom of Information**

**QLCARC**  
Accessibility of Administrative Justice, April 2008 (R).

**Genetics**

**NCCUSL**  
Misuse of Genetic Information in Employment and Insurance Act—new draft February 2008.

**Government**

**ARC**  
Government agency information-gathering powers—final report expected June 2008.

**Law Com**  
Remedies against public bodies—consultation paper expected mid-2008.

**NCCUSL**  
Administrative procedures for interstate compact entities—WIH by study committee.

**Guardianship**

**HKLRC**  
Enduring Powers of Attorney, March 2008 (R).

**QLRC**  
Guardianship laws: general principles—report expected late 2008.

**SALRC**  
Adults with impaired decision-making capacity—WIH on inquiry.

**Health Care**

**ALRC**  
For Your Information: Review of Australian Privacy Law and Practice, May 2008 (R 108).

**ILRC**  
Legal aspects of bioethics: advance care directives—WIH on new inquiry.

**NCCUSL**  
Health care information interoperability—WIH by study committee.

**Sask LRC**  
Vaccination and the law—WIH on inquiry.

**Housing**

**Law Com**  
Housing: Proportionate Dispute Resolution, May 2008 (R 309).

Encouraging responsible letting—WIH on report.

**Human Rights**

**SALRC**  
Trafficking in persons—WIH on report.

**Immigration**

**COmb**  
Notification of Decisions and Review Rights for Unsuccessful Visa Applications, December 2007 (R 15/2007).

**Indigenous People**

**NZLC**  
Maori legal entities—WIH on inquiry.

**Insurance**

**Law Com; Scot Law Com**  
Insurance Contract Law: Insurable Interest, January 2008 (IP).

**NCCUSL**  
Misuse of Genetic Information in Employment and Insurance Act—new draft February 2008.

**Intellectual Property**

**ACIP**  
Enforcement of plant breeder's rights—final report expected late 2008.

Post-grant patent enforcement strategies—DP expected mid-2008.

Review of patentable subject matter—WIH on new inquiry.

**Judiciary**

**MoJ(UK)**  
Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act: Eligibility for Judicial Appointment, February 2008 (CP).

**Juries**

**HKLRC**  
Criteria for Service as Jurors, January 2008 (CP).

**ILRC**  
Consolidation and reform of the Courts Act—WIH on inquiry.

**LRCWA**  
Selection, eligibility and exemption of jurors—WIH on inquiry.

**NSWLRC**  
Jury Selection, September 2007 [released January 2008] (R 117).

Jury directions in criminal trials—WIH on inquiry.

**VLRC**  
Jury directions—WIH on new inquiry.



## **Justice of the Peace**

### **NCCUSL**

Revision of the Uniform Law on Notarial Acts—WIH by drafting committee.

## **Landlord & Tenant**

### **BCLI**

Commercial tenancy—WIH on inquiry.

### **Law Com**

Encouraging responsible letting—WIH on report.

## **Law Enforcement**

### **ALRC**

Privilege in Perspective: Client Legal Privilege in Federal Investigations, December 2007 [released February 2008] (R 107).

### **ARC**

Government agency coercive information-gathering powers—final report expected June 2008.

### **NCCUSL**

Electronic recording of custodial interrogations—WIH by study committee.

### **QCMC**

How the Criminal Justice System Handles Allegations of Sexual Abuse: A Review of the Implementation of the Recommendations of the Seeking Justice Report, March 2008 (R).

### **Senate LCC**

Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment Bill 2008, May 2008 (R).

### **TLRI**

Consolidating powers of arrest—WIH on report.

## **Legal Profession**

### **ALRC**

Privilege in Perspective: Client Legal Privilege in Federal Investigations, December 2007 [released February 2008] (R 107).

## **Legal Services**

### **AGD**

Review of the Commonwealth Community Legal Services Program,

March 2008 (R).

### **NCCUSL**

Hague Convention on Choice of Court Agreements—WIH by study committee.

## **Legislation**

### **NCCUSL**

Authentication of online state legal materials—WIH by new study committee.

### **NZLC**

Presentation of New Zealand statute law—WIH on inquiry.

## **Media Law**

### **MoJ(UK)**

Sensitive Reporting in Coroners' Courts, March 2008 (DP).

## **Medical Law**

### **ILRC**

Legal aspects of bioethics: advance care directives—WIH on new inquiry.

### **NSWLRC**

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### **Sask LRC**

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### **TLRI**

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## **Mental Health**

### **FLRC**

Mental Health Act review—WIH on inquiry.

### **NSWLRC**

People with cognitive and mental health impairments in the criminal justice system—WIH on inquiry.

## **Negligence and Liability**

### **AGD (SAust)**

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Remedies against public bodies—  
consultation paper expected mid-2008.

**Man LRC**

Waiver and personal liability—WIH on  
inquiry.

**Scot Law Com**

Personal Injury Actions: Limitations and  
Prescribed Claims, December 2007 (R  
207).

Damages for wrongful death—report  
expected late 2008.

**Power of Attorney**

ALRI; BCLI; Man LRC; Sask LRC

Powers of attorney—report expected  
June 2008.

**HKLRC**

Enduring Powers of Attorney, March  
2008 (R).

**NCCUSL**

Uniform Power of Attorney Act—  
amendment to final Act May 2008.

**QLRC**

Guardianship laws: general principles—  
report expected late 2008.

**Sask LRC**

Corporate fiduciary services—WIH on  
inquiry.

**Privacy**

**ALRC**

For Your Information: Review of  
Australian Privacy Law and Practice,  
May 2008 (R 108).

**BCLI**

Privacy Act of British Columbia—report  
expected 2008.

**HO(UK)**

National Identity Scheme: Delivery Plan  
2008, March 2008 (CP).

**MoJ(UK)**

Data Sharing Review Consultation,  
December 2007 (CP).

**NCCUSL**

Health care information

interoperability—WIH by study  
committee.

**NSWLRC**

New South Wales privacy legislation—  
CP3, August 2008.

**NZLC**

Privacy Concepts and Issues, February  
2008 (Study Paper).

Public Registers: Review of the Law of  
Privacy Stage 2, February 2008 (R 101).

**SALRC**

Privacy and data protection—WIH on  
inquiry.

**VLRC**

Surveillance in public places—  
consultation paper expected mid-2008.

**Public Order**

**JCS(ACT)**

Review of the Liquor Act 1975, March  
2008 (DP).

**NZLC**

Public safety and security—WIH on new  
inquiry.

**NZMJ**

Report of the Prostitution Law Review  
Committee on the Operation of the  
Prostitution Reform Act 2003, May 2008  
(R).

**QCMC**

Policing Public Order: A Review of the  
Public Nuisance Offence, May 2008 (R).

**QLRC**

Review of the Peace and Good  
Behaviour Act—report completed, not  
yet released.

**SALRC**

Adult prostitution—WIH on inquiry.

**Real Property**

**BCLI**

Real property review—WIH on inquiry.

**HKLRC**

Adverse possession—WIH on inquiry.

**Law Com**

Easements, Covenants and Profits à  
Prende, March 2008 (CP 186).

### **NCCUSL**

Amendments to Uniform Common Interest Ownership Act—new draft February 2008.

Draft Partition of Tenancy-in-Common Real Property Act—new draft March 2008.

Transfer on Death of Real Property Act—new draft March 2008.

Uniform [Home Owner Bill of Rights] Act—new draft February 2008.

### **NZLC**

Review of the Land Transfer Act 1952—WIH on inquiry.

### **Scot LRC**

Report on Sharp v Thomson (Protection of Purchasers Buying from Insolvent Sellers), December 2007 (R 208).

Land registration—WIH on report.

### **TLRI**

Easements and analagous rights—WIH on new inquiry.

### **VPLRC**

Property Investment Advisers and Marketeers, April 2008 (R).

## **Regulatory law**

### **HMT(UK)**

UK Discussion Paper on the Commission's Review of Financial Regulatory Framework for Commodity and Exotic Derivatives, December 2007 (DP).

### **PC**

Review of Australia's Consumer Policy Framework, May 2008 (R).

### **Treasury**

Simple Superannuation Advice, May 2008 (CP).

### **VPLRC**

Property Investment Advisers and Marketeers, April 2008 (R).

## **Same Sex Relationships**

### **NSWLRC**

Relationships, June 2006 [released April 2008] (R 113).

## **Securities & Exchange**

### **AGD**

Personal Property Securities Bill. Consultation Draft, May 2008.

### **HMT(UK)**

UK Discussion Paper on the Commission's Review of Financial Regulatory Framework for Commodity and Exotic Derivatives, December 2007 (DP).

### **NCCUSL**

Certificate of title system for boats—WIH by study committee.

Revised Uniform Federal Lien Registration Act—WIH by study committee.

## **Security**

### **NZLC**

Public safety and security—WIH on new inquiry.

### **Senate LCC**

Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment Bill 2008, May 2008 (R).

## **Sentencing**

### **NSWSC**

Review of Periodic Detention, December 2007 (R).

Reduction in penalties at sentencing—WIH on inquiry.

### **NCCUSL**

Uniform Collateral Consequences of Conviction Act—new draft February 2008.

### **TLRI**

Sentencing—WIH on final report.

### **VSAC**

Provocation in Sentencing, February 2008 (Research Paper).

Suspended Sentences and Intermediate Sentencing Orders: Final Report Part II, April 2008 (R).

## **Sexual offences**

### **HKLRC**

Review of sexual offences—WIH on inquiry.

**QCMC**  
How the Criminal Justice System  
Handles Allegations of Sexual Abuse:  
A Review of the Implementation of  
the Recommendations of the Seeking  
Justice Report, March 2008 (R).

**Scot Law Com**  
  
Rape and Other Sexual Offences,  
December 2007 (R).

**WACDJC**  
Inquiry into the Prosecution of Assaults  
and Sexual Offences, April 2008 (R).

**Social Welfare**

**COmb**  
Application of Penalties under Welfare to  
Work, December 2007 (R 16/2007).

**Superannuation**

**Man LRC**  
Divorced spouses survivors' pension  
benefits—WIH on inquiry.

**Treasury**  
Simple Superannuation Advice, May  
2008 (CP).

Temporary Residents and  
Superannuation, May 2008 (CP).

**Taxation**

**HMT(UK)**  
Business Tax Reform: Capital Allowance  
Changes Technical Note, December  
2007 (CP).

Income Shifting: A Consultation of Draft  
Legislation, December 2007 (CP).

Payable Enhanced Capital Allowances  
Technical Note, December 2007 (CP).

Principles-Based Approach to Financial  
Products Avoidance: A Consultation  
Document, December 2007 (CP).

Aviation Duty, January 2008 (CP).

Funds of Alternative Investment Funds:  
A Tax Framework, February 2008 (CP).

**NCCUSL**  
Uniform Division of Income for Tax  
Purposes Act—WIH on revision.

**Treasury**  
Revised Exposure Draft Tax Agent  
Services Bill, May 2008.

Tax Design Review Panel, February  
2008 (CP).

**Telecommunications**

**Senate LCC**  
Telecommunications (Interception and  
Access) Amendment Bill 2008, May  
2008 (R).

**Traffic Law**

**TLRI**  
Criminal liability of drivers who fall  
asleep causing motor vehicle crashes  
resulting in death or serious injury—WIH  
on inquiry.

**Transportation**

**SALRC**  
Statutory Law Revision: Legislation  
Administered by the Department of  
Transport, May 2008 (DP 114).

**Tribunals**

**ALRI**  
Revised model code of procedures for  
Administrative Tribunal—CP expected  
mid-2008.

**NZLC**  
Tribunals in New Zealand, January 2008  
(IP 6).

**Trusts and Trustees**

**NCCUSL**  
Insurable Interests Relating to Trusts  
Act—WIH on draft.

Uniform Statutory Trust Entity Act—new  
draft February 2008.

**Sask LRC**  
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Abbreviations

<b>ACIP</b>	Australia. Advisory Committee on Intellectual Property
<b>AGD</b>	Australia. Attorney-General's Department
<b>AGD(NSW)</b>	New South Wales. Attorney-General's Department
<b>ALRC</b>	Australian Law Reform Commission
<b>ALRI</b>	Alberta Law Reform Institute
<b>ARC</b>	Australia. Administrative Review Council
<b>BCLI</b>	British Columbia Law Institute
<b>Cal LRC</b>	Californian Law Revision Commission
<b>CAMAC</b>	Australia. Corporations and Markets Advisory Committee.
<b>COmb</b>	Australia. Commonwealth Ombudsman
<b>CP</b>	Consultation Paper
<b>DCA(UK)</b>	United Kingdom. Department of Constitutional Affairs
<b>DP</b>	Discussion Paper
<b>FLC</b>	Australia. Family Law Council
<b>FLRC</b>	Fiji Law Reform Commission
<b>HKLRC</b>	Law Reform Commission of Hong Kong
<b>HMT(UK)</b>	United Kingdom. Her Majesty's Treasury
<b>HO(UK)</b>	United Kingdom. Home Office
<b>HoRLCA</b>	Australia. House of Representatives Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs
<b>HREOC</b>	Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission
<b>ILRC</b>	Ireland. Law Reform Commission
<b>IP</b>	Issues Paper
<b>JLC</b>	Jersey Law Commission
<b>Law Com</b>	England and Wales. Law Commission
<b>LCC</b>	Law Commission of Canada
<b>LRCWA</b>	Law Reform Commission of Western Australia
<b>Man LRC</b>	Manitoba Law Reform Commission
<b>MCLOC</b>	Australia. Model Criminal Law Officers' Committee
<b>MLC</b>	Malawi Law Commission
<b>NCCUSL</b>	United States. National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws