



MENTIONS

PUBLICATIONS

'A Guide to the Magistrate's Court'

Going into court can be daunting. Victoria Legal Aid and the Victorian Law Foundation have released a booklet which describes what to expect dealing with issues such as court procedure, how to prepare your own representation in court, and how to obtain other legal advice and representation.

Available free of charge from Victoria Legal Aid — tel 03 9269 0223.

'And When She Was Bad — Working with Young Women in Juvenile Justice and Related Areas'

This book by Christine Alder and Margaret Baines covers important issues in the treatment of young women offenders.

For more information or to obtain a copy contact: Cate Lowry, Production Manager, National Clearinghouse for Youth Studies, GPO Box 252C, Hobart, Tasmania, 7001, tel 03 62260 2591, or fax on 03 6626 2578.

'Where you Stand'

If you're under 18, this booklet can provide you with essential information about your legal rights in a practical jargon-free style. It covers topics pertinent to youth today, such as: school attendance, dealing with the police, the Children's Court, use of drugs, social security, and sexual relationships.

Contact: Fitzroy Legal Service, PO Box 280, Fitzroy, 3065.

Cost: \$ 4.00.

A teacher's kit is also available with numerous classroom activities and additional material to prompt student discussion. This costs \$30.00 (and includes five copies of the booklet).

'Defend Yourself'

This publication provides a tool for anyone who is going to represent themselves in court. It provides straightforward information on a range of issues, such as, criminal law, case preparation, appeals, evidence and court procedure.

Many publications on a broad range of legal issues are available from Redfern Legal Centre Publishing. For more information contact: RLCP, 122 George Street, Redfern, NSW, 2016, tel 02 9698 3066.

'AYF Update'

The Australian Youth Foundation introduces its newsheet which aims to keep you abreast of current community-based projects addressing the needs of youth and useful publications, such as *Start* a do-it-yourself manual on evaluating both governmental and non-governmental welfare, community, and youth project work. For more information about *Start* or the AYF, contact Australian Youth Foundation, Suite 302, 134 William Street, East Sydney, NSW, 2011, tel 02 9357 2344, e-mail: ayouthf@ozemail.com.au

CONFERENCES AND CALLS FOR PAPERS

Asia/ Pacific Courts Conference

The program of this Australian Institute of Judicial Administration (AIJA) conference focuses on the theme of 'managing change' and features both local and overseas speakers from a variety of legal positions and law enforcement bodies. This event is convened by both the AIJA and the Subordinate Courts of Singapore.

Date: 21-24 August 1997

Venue: The Sydney Convention and Entertainment Centre

Contact: AIJA/Asia Pacific Courts Conference Secretariat, GPO Box 2609 Sydney, NSW, 2000 Australia, tel. 612 9241 1478, fax. 612 9251 3552, or e-mail: reply@icmsaust.com.au

'Law Via the Internet 1997' — Call for Papers

The Australian Legal Information Institute presents its first conference.

Papers are now being requested. Suitable topics include: publishing legislation on the internet, electronic law journals, the internet and social justice, web sites for parliamentary information, international law on the internet, facilitating law reform on the internet. Papers on other topics are welcome (but subjects such as CD-ROM products, and cyberspace law are not relevant), and writers are requested to raise issues of theoretical or practical importance.

Submission by: 1 April 1997

Contact: e-mail to graham@austlii.edu.au

Date: 25-27 June 1997

Venue: University of Technology, Sydney

To register for attendance, contact Trina Cairns, Faculty of Law, UTS, Sydney: e-mail trina@austlii.edu.au tel 02 9281 2699 fax 02 9281 2127

Cost: \$500 standard; \$350 academics and community organisations and \$175 students.

The 1997 National Social Policy Conference — 'States, Markets, Communities: Remapping the Boundaries'

Date: 16-18 July 1997

Venue: The University of New South Wales

Papers are invited. Suitable topics include: work and welfare, citizenship and the public/private welfare mix, as well as issues of social and economic inequalities. *Submissions by:* 14 March 1997

Please send abstracts of no more than 200 words to: 1997 Social Policy Conference Papers, Social Policy Research Centre, University of New South Wales, Sydney 2052, or e-mail to sprc@unsw.edu.au, or fax 02 9385 1049.

The First Asia-Pacific Conference on Children's Rights

'The Next Step'

This conference seeks to address a wide variety of issues concerning children. Addresses will be given by Australia's and the region's leading child rights experts. It will also offer working groups, workshops, community events and hypothetical debates. The expert input of children and young people will also be a feature of this event.

Date: 2-5 April 1997

Venue: Brisbane, for more information contact Ron Frey, tel 07 3864 4612, fax 07 3864 4995

or e-mail to r.frey@qut.edu.au

Disputing Families

Families, the law and access to justice

A National Conference being held by Court Network.

Date: 12 and 13 March, 1997

Venue: Cato Conference Centre, Melbourne.

Contact: Kirsten Larwill or Margaret Gwynne, tel 03 9603 7420.