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# Faces in the law

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## Rex Wild QC

### Brief career history

Articled clerk with Walsh & Spriggs Solicitors Melbourne 1964-1968, admitted to practice 1968, LLB Melbourne (1969), LLM Monash (1977), Vic Bar 1973, QC 1991. Solicitor 1968-1973. Won solicitor's prize in Victoria in 1970. Senior assistant DPP in NT (1993-95). Senior Crown Counsel with Department of Law 1995. DPP in NT 1995 – 31/1/2006. NT Barrister 1/2/06 – present.

### What motivated you to start working in the legal profession?

My father's size 10 boots. He was very encouraging. Once involved I always loved the people engagement the law provided.

### How long have you been in the Territory and what brought you here?

Since 1992/93 – An offer of a senior job with DPP which met my long-term wish to live in a tropical climate.

### What is the best and worst thing about living and working in the Territory?

The wonderful people with their relaxed living. But we miss family and friends (but it's amazing how many of them visit us!)

### If you had the power to change one thing in the world, what would it be?

Eradicate religious conflict!

### What is your greatest achievement?

Maybe, just hopefully, the outcomes of the 2007 report into abuse of Aboriginal children.

### What are your hobbies?

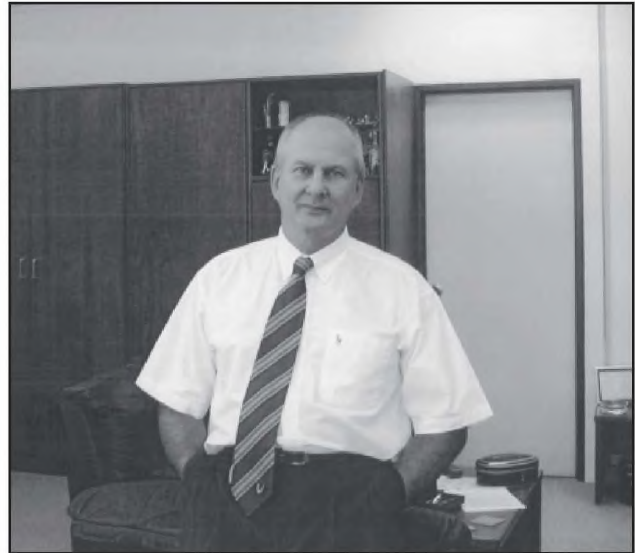
Golf (when I make the time), biking and the gym. But most of all, traveling with my wife (with some reading).

### Describe your perfect weekend

Saturday: an early visit to Parap Market, an afternoon nap and drinks on the balcony with good friends – Sunday: a day to relax and maybe a game of golf.

### What are you most passionate about?

I am sorry that I have come late to this, but the plight of the Aboriginal people of the Northern Territory.



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### What was the last book you read?

'Kokoda' by Paul Ham.

### What is your favourite movie?

'Bridge on the River Kwai' ('What's up Doc' is a close second).

### What was the last CD you bought?

Rod Stewart 'It had to be you'.

### What is your favourite holiday destination and why?

Bali. We love the people, the ambience and its proximity to Darwin.

### Describe your perfect meal?

My wife Lyn, roast beef with a glass of red (with mother-in-law's trifle to follow).

### After a long week at work it is finally Friday, you walk up to the bar and order a?

Cascade Light.

### Three words that describe who you are?

An old lawyer.

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