

Admissions to the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory

to cease sittings in Kalkaringi as there were simply no appropriate facilities to meet the court's needs. The building which had been used by the court was accurately described as a "crumbling asbestos shed" and has been recommended to be demolished. I am acutely aware of the inconvenience that the closure of a court in a small remote community has on the community, especially where court users, most of whom have no access to transport, are required to travel hundreds of kilometres to the nearest court. I have highlighted the issue of appropriate court facilities in all places where the court sits as a matter of the greatest concern to me. Appropriate facilities are essential for all court users and reflect the importance of the justice system in any well functioning society. I look forward to the Department of the Attorney-General and Justice securing appropriate and adequate facilities for the Magistrates Court whenever it sits. ●



James O'Brien, James Mack, and Phillipa Gilkes, 23 July in Darwin



John Rawnsley, 23 July in Alice Springs



Douglas Burns, Crystal Triggs and Anthony Burridge, 21 October in Darwin