
Arthur Leslie QC



The redoubtable Arthur Leslie QC recently celebrated 50 years at the Bar. Arthur was admitted to the Bar on 6 May 1955 and took silk in 1982.

He was one of the founding members of Ground Floor Wentworth Chambers when it opened in January 1977.

Arthur's gladiatorial approach to litigation has always been

balanced by his passions for Scottish dancing, golf, flying light planes and Jaguar sports cars. He still makes the occasional appearance in the Court of Appeal and the Dust Diseases Tribunal, when otherwise not engaged in reducing his handicap at Leura Golf Course.

To have survived in the profession for so long and at such a high level is rare, let alone to have done it with such good humour and irreverence.

Ian Bailey SC and Grant Carolan

River to the Sea Paddle



I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the barristers that kindly donated to the 'River to Sea Paddle' charity event. I completed the paddle on 8 October 2005. It took me three hours instead of two due to the weather conditions. Professor Pam Russell from the Oncology Research Centre was there to welcome us. We are

pleased to let her know that we raised \$16,000 for her research. I couldn't have done it without the great generosity of the New South Wales Bar.

Thank you all so much.

Paul Daley

Verbatim

Antoun v The Queen [2005] HCATRANS 823

Kirby J: Of course the Bench is made up of a myriad of different personalities and people have different ways of expressing themselves and some are more circumlocutious and longwinded than others. Others are given to more direct expression.

Mr Byrne: Certainly.

Kirby J: I think you would agree that the silent judge is the greatest menace of all.

Gleeson CJ: One of the greatest.

CSR Ltd & Anor v Eddy as Administrator Representing the Estate of Thompson [2005] HCATRANS 390

Callinan J: Mr Jackson, it is really a question of where you draw the line in a sense, is it not? If I am injured and I have to employ a coach to coach my grandchild in cricket, and assume I am doing that now, if the principle is good, it would be good for that. I could pay for Greg Chappell – give Greg Chappell \$40 an hour to provide the service, no doubt much better than I would, but provide the service - - -

Mr Jackson: You may need to hurry before he goes to India, your Honour, but leaving that - - -