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Editor's note

his year could be remembered as a watershed one for plaintiffs seeking redress from statutory authorities. Nathan Moshinsky discusses an important decision from the High Court regarding the extent of the duty owed by authorities to carry out the obligations imposed on them by Government.

We also look at the Stolen Generation and the liability that might or should be found in respect of public authorities that were charged with their care. Later this year the High Court will hear two cases dealing with what has been called the non-feasance doctrine. Professor Andrew Morrison Q.C. will be giving a paper on the issues raised by these two cases at the National Conference this year.

This month sees the emergence of a letters page. Impress your colleagues! Get your thoughts in print! APLA is after all an information exchange. Why keep that unique and valuable insight to yourself?

More change! All aspiring editors should send Plaintiff their applications. We are in the process of reorganising the editorial committee. We want someone enthusiastic and full of ideas from each state to meet via telephone hook-up every second month to plan the future editions of the magazine and chase up local articles and stories. The committee also throws up ideas for change in the magazine. So all those wannabe Kerrys and Ruperts send us your details (see page 27 for more info).

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