A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

The sixteenth and final edition of the Australian Institute of Administrative Law Newsletter was published in December 1993. The note from the editor of that publication foreshadowed that it would be replaced by a new publication.

This, the Australian Institute of Administrative Law Forum, is that publication.

Readers will note that it is a different size from the old *Newsletter*. The B5 size will make storage of the new *Forum* more convenient for readers, the B5 format being more commonly employed for official publications than the former A3 format.

This first edition is larger then the Newsletter ever was and larger than future editions of the Forum will be. It contains reprints of 22 articles that originally appeared in the Newsletter. This is to celebrate many of the best moments of the Newsletter and to assist readers who might want to dispose of their old copies of the Newsletter and concentrate on the smaller format Forum. This edition is therefore a bridge between the two publications.

In selecting the 22 articles for this edition the editorial group looked for material that fell into the following categories:

 Material that made a new and unique contribution to knowledge of administrative law.

- Material that identifies and discusses particular problems in administrative law and government and makes observations that remain pertinent.
- Material by senior practitioners in administrative law that provides valuable insights into how they and their institutions operate.
- Material that was topical at the time and contains messages that should not be forgotten.

It is anticipated that the second edition of the *Forum* will appear early in July. Four editions will be published this year.

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