

### New South Wales

The NSW Society has been active over the last six months. On 9 February, 1994 Michael Perkins, from Hooton & Perkins gave an interesting talk on the emerging standards in the multimedia industry. Other topics of our seminars have included Information Technology and the

Media, Convergence and Legal Issues in IT.

Some of the Society's upcoming events include:

**Financing IT Acquisitions** - 11 October 1994

**Software Piracy** - 2 November 1994

**Gala Seminar** - 7 December 1994

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### New Zealand

The New Zealand Society for Computers and the Law, at its last function for 1993, hosted a presentation and panel discussion on Copyright and Multimedia.

Microsoft provided a demonstration of one of its multimedia products. This was well received by those people who attended.

A formal panel discussion chaired by Mr Anthony Wong then evolved. The focus of the panel discussion was Copyright and Multimedia issues.

A paper on equity and potential remedies available to technology inven-

tors was tabled by Mr Paul Perniskie toward the end of this panel discussion. The evening was supplemented with refreshments hosted by the Wellington firm of Rudd Watt & Stone.

The Society had its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 10 May, 1994 at the offices of Bell Gully Buddle Weir, Wellington. Mr Mark Gobbie from the Department of Justice addressed members on the Layout Designs Bill.

The Bill has recently been introduced into the New Zealand Parlia-

ment and is currently before a Select Committee. The Layout Designs Bill is modelled on the Australian Circuit Layouts Act 1989. Mark is a legal adviser with the Law Reform Division of the Department of Justice. He has played a key role in the development of the Bill and will be advising the Minister of Justice on issues raised during the debates.

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