

# PEOPLE AND THE LAW



Michael Grove is an Associate at Ward Keller. He will become a Partner at Ward Keller on 1 July 2000.

**Background?** Grew up in Tasmania, University in Canberra, Africa for a couple of years, barrister in Melbourne.

**Most memorable case/file?** Longest justices' appeal in the NT (7 or 8 days).

**Who are your role models?** Cicero — oratory long since past in the age of the "written submission".

**Your favourite place in the NT?** Home, where my family lives.

**Community involvement?** Pro bono work for a number of community organisations.

**Complete this sentence. I couldn't live without...** Brenda and Henry.

**If you were down to your last \$50 what would you buy?** A thin tie.

**What book are you reading at the moment?** *History of Western Philosophy* by Bertrand Russell, *The Great Shame* by Thomas Keneally.

## WANTED:

### People in the Law

Why don't you nominate someone you know for People in the Law. Why not even nominate yourself!

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Heidi Faustman is a solicitor with Clayton Utz.

**Background?** Registered nurse.

**Most memorable case/file?** A personal injury matter in which I acted on behalf of a plaintiff who had fractured her patella and walked around with the fracture for three weeks before seeking medical treatment. Unbelievable woman with a high pain threshold.

**Who are your role models?** Within the law — family lawyers — because I couldn't be a family lawyer. Outside the law — vets that work with the RSPCA — because I couldn't handle the abuse they would encounter.

**Your favourite place in the NT?** The East Alligator River in Kakadu — if you've ever been there you would know why.

**Community involvement?** Nil — usually down the track most weekends fishing.

**Complete this sentence. I couldn't live without...** a good cup of coffee in the morning to wake up and exercise to wind down.

**If you were down to your last \$50 what would you buy?** Petrol so I could head down the track.

**What book are you reading at the moment?** Thomas Hobbs *Leviathan*.



Eric Hutton is a solicitor with Hunt and Hunt.

**Background:** Born in Newcastle (UK) and emigrated to Newcastle in NSW. Parents were obviously comfortable settling in a place similar to the one they left. Spent formative years around Pokolbin, heart of the Hunter Valley wine industry. Later developed a taste for the local produce. Not much attention paid to academic pursuits. Commenced legal studies in 1970, completed in 1993. Previous career in Court Administration in NSW and NT.

**Most memorable file?** Worker's compensation file. Received death threats from worker (but he threatened his own solicitor with the same fate). Professed to being in a secret army "intelligence" unit and well versed in use of explosives. Has apparently planted charges that he plans to detonate by remote control some time this year.

**Who are your role models?** Henry Ford (the reason is apparent to anyone who knows me well); Donna Dreier for her skill as a lawyer and as a manager (a rare combination).

**Your favourite place in the NT?** My place. All my interests are centred there.

**Community involvement:** Formerly a volunteer at DCLS. Do the occasional pro bono work.

**Complete this sentence. I couldn't live without...** at least one classic Ford in my garage.

**If you were down to your last \$50 what would you buy?** A copy of Classic Ford magazine and a bottle of red.

**What book are you reading at the moment?** *Inconceivable* by Ben Elton; *Classic Ford* (May Edition).