

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS REGULATIONS

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

No. 16 of 1971

The purpose of these regulations is to prescribe the Legal Workshop course within the Faculty of Law in the School of General Studies of the Australian National University as a course of legal education for the purposes of section 10(2.)(b)(ii) of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance 1970-1971 of the Australian Capital Territory.

2. Section 10(2.)(b)(ii) of the Ordinance permits a course of legal education of not less than six months' duration to be prescribed in lieu of articles of clerkship for the purposes of enabling a person to qualify for admission to practise as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory.

3. A course of legal education of six months' duration to be known as the Legal Workshop has been established at the Australian National University to provide a bridge between academic study and the practical application of the law and to give the student an understanding of the nature and role of the legal profession. The Director of the Workshop is a barrister, and the Workshop is under the supervision of a Committee of Management representing the Judiciary, the legal profession, the Attorney-General's Department and the University.