

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT  
INSTRUMENT NO. 38 1996**

**APPOINTMENT OF DONALD FRED McMICHAEL  
TO THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY HERITAGE COUNCIL**

The *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* ("the Land Act") governs the use of land in the Territory including the conservation of the Territory's heritage places

Part III of the Land Act establishes the ACT Heritage Council (section 91), and members of Council are appointed by the Minister under section 97.

Members are appointed for a maximum period of three years, after which they may be re-appointed for a further maximum period of three years. A break of three years must then elapse before a member can be further reappointed.

This instrument appoints **Donald Fred McMichael** to be a member of the Council for a period of 2 years commencing on 21 November 1995. A brief resume of Dr McMichael's background is attached.

Section 7 of the *Subordinate Laws Act 1989* prevents a subordinate law from having effect if it would prejudice the rights of a person existing at the date of notification, or if liabilities would be imposed on a person in respect of any act or omission before the date of notification. Neither circumstance will arise from the act of appointing the person named herein to the specified position(s).

## **RESUME - DR DONALD FRED McMICHAEL OBE**

### **Consultant**

**Bachelor of Science. Master of Arts. Former Director for the National Museum of Australia. Previously, Chair of the Commonwealth Government's Taxation Incentives for the Arts Scheme Committee and Chair of the Australian National Committee of the International Council for Museums. Lengthy involvement in natural heritage matters including as former Director, NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service. Former Chair of the Commonwealth Biological Diversity Advisory Committee. Former senior consultant to Executive Director, United Nations Environment Programme. Member of a number of scientific and professional societies concerned with environment and heritage. Member of the inaugural ACT Heritage Council and Chair of the Heritage Objects Standing Committee of the Council. Member of the Interim Board of Management, Canberra Cultural Centre. Deputy Chair, Land and Planning Appeals Board.**