

# **Criminal law group formed**

**The newly-formed Northern Territory Criminal Law Association will work to help the legislators develop a "principled and balanced" justice system for the Territory.**

The association was launched at the weekend at the largest gathering yet in Darwin of the legal fraternity.

It will hold seminars, debates, workshops and functions aimed at developing members' skills and promoting discussion on current criminal law issues.

Members will also participate at a national level in the Australian Criminal Law Association.

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"Criminal law is the most important and probably the most exacting area of practice in law in Australia," newly-elected president Mr Colin McDonald said.

"We hope the association will act as a reservoir of talent for Government and other bodies to draw upon and to help develop a principled and balanced criminal justice system for Territory citizens."

One of the first discussions will be on the desirability of a Territory Director of Public Prosecutions.

Members are planning a seminar on the recently released National Criminal Code.