SHORT CURRICULUM VITAE MR A C NEAL QC

MR [TONY] **NEAL** signed the Bar Roll in 1977 and has been in active practice ever since. He took silk in 2003.

At the Bar Mr Neal developed a wide-ranging civil practice which, since the early nineties, has included an increasing component of aboriginal land claims/native title. Mr Neal maintains an active interest in aboriginal land law/native title and anthropology.

In the course of his long career Mr Neal has gained a great deal of experience in the conduct of large and complex trials and also had extensive involvement in alternative dispute resolution practices (principally mediation). He has been involved numerous protracted, multi-party mediations [particularly in native title matters]both as a mediator and as counsel representing a party.

Mr. Neal is a nationally accredited mediator, chairman of the Victorian Bar's ADR Committee and an instructor in the Bar's well-regarded Lawyers Mediation Course. He is an occasional lecturer in Mediation at RMIT. He has conducted a number of successful mediations under the Federal Court native title referral scheme. Mr. Neal is also on the panel of mediators regularly engaged by the Victorian Small Business Commission.