

ABORIGINAL LAWYER IN PRACTICE

Aboriginal Legal Aid have gained the services of a third lawyer.

She is Mrs Pat O'Shane who took a graduate course at the NSW University and obtained her Bachelor of Law degree in October 1975.

She was the first Aboriginal to become a solicitor.

Mrs O'Shane was admitted to the NSW's bar in February 1976.

She commenced duties with Aboriginal Legal Aid on October 18, 1976 working with Messrs Ross Hewie and Philip Toyne and staff.

Mrs O'Shane comes from Cairns where she was a school teacher for 10 years and involved in Aboriginal Rights organisations.

She has two teenage daughters attending High School in Sydney.