This first issue of 2007 covers a refreshing spectrum of legal disciplines ranging from cultural and linguistic issues, to the onus of proof in delict, the censorship debate and research methodology.

Professor Elmene Bray of the University of South Africa analyses the complexities of the recent judgment of the Supreme Court of Appeal in a case involving the sensitive issue of the medium of instruction in public schools in South Africa.

Dr Tanya du Plessis of the University of Johannesburg expertly discusses the opportunities of researchers in law, especially regarding matters involving the Constitution, which the digital age has created. Ms Lise Mills of the University of Stellenbosch contributes to the debate concerning the proposed amendments to legislation concerning state involvement in media regulation, with special reference to the protection of the interests of children.

Professor Linda Schoeman-Malan's article deals with the difficulties that have arisen in the South African constitutional state concerning a balance between the supreme Constitution and customary law relating to intestate succession.

Professor Loma Steynberg of the University of South Africa deals with the abstract, though topical question of dealing with contingencies in the law of delict, especially regarding the evidentiary difficulties that must be solved in concrete cases.

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