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*Diversity goes with our Territory*



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# Did you know?

It is against the law to publicly vilify a person or group of people in the ACT because of their race.

Vilification means to publicly incite hatred towards a person or group of people which is likely to offend, insult, humiliate or intimidate that person or group of people. Some examples might include:

- Distributing racist pamphlets to the public;
- Displaying racially offensive posters in a public area;  
or
- Inciting racial hatred by a speech at a public rally.

It is also against the law to treat someone unfavourably because of their race or religious beliefs in many areas of public life, including:

- Employment and recruitment (including ACT public and private sector, paid and unpaid work);
- Provision of goods, services or facilities;
- Access to premises (including public buildings, parks, buses, taxis and aircraft);
- Accommodation (including public housing, and private, business or residential rental);
- Education;
- Unlawful advertising (advertising an intention to discriminate).

If you feel you have been a victim of vilification, you can do something about it. Contact the ACT Human Rights and Discrimination Commissioner for assistance:



**HUMAN RIGHTS &  
DISCRIMINATION COMMISSIONER**

Human Rights Commission

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