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Nationality: Australian

EDUCATION

Wenona Girls School (Dux)

B.Sc. (Hons.) University of Sydney

Ph.D. University of Sydney

LL.B. University of New South Wales

AWARDS

Companion (AC) in the General Division of the Order of Australia 2019

Honorary degree of Doctor of Laws awarded by Bond University – March 2024

Honorary degree of Doctor of Laws awarded by the University of Sydney - May 2021

Honorary degree of Doctor of Laws awarded by the University of New South Wales - June 2016

Honorary degree of Doctor of the University by the ANU – July 2011

Officer (AO) in the General Division of the Order of Australia 2005

Centenary Medal 2003

University of New South Wales Alumni Award 1999

Senior Counsel 1994

Fellow Australian Academy of Science

Fellow Australian Academy of Law

LEGAL

Now Consultant barrister (SC) (litigation advice, mediation and arbitration) specialist in Intellectual Property

Patron, Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (ACICA), NSW State Committee

Former Judge of the Federal Court of Australia (2003-2016)

Former Additional Judge of the Supreme Court of the ACT (concluded)

Former President of the Copyright Tribunal of Australia (concluded)

Former Presidential Member of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal (concluded)

Former Chair, World Intellectual Property Organisation Advisory Group of Judges (concluded)

Member of the Takeovers Panel (concluded)

Member Supreme Court of NSW Mediators Panel (concluded)

Member NSW Bar Association Mediators Panel (concluded)

TECHNOLOGY AND RESEARCH

Director, Garvan Institute of Medical Research (concluded)

Chair, Australian Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO) (concluded)

Chair of the Advisory Group of Judges to the World Intellectual Property Organisation (concluded)

Chair, National Health and Medical Research Council (NH&MRC) (concluded)

Member, Advisory Board to Questacon (concluded)

Director of the Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation (concluded)

Member of the Genetic Manipulation Advisory Committee (concluded)

Member of the Biotechnology Consultative Group (BIOCOG) to the Commonwealth Government (concluded)

Advisory Committee Member of the Australian Law Reform Commission on the Gene Patenting and Human Health Reference (concluded)

Member, Vaccine Working Group of Australian National Council on AIDS, Hepatitis C and Related Diseases (ANCHARD) (concluded)

Member of the working party of the Australian Medical Council to consider the transfer of National Specialist Qualification Advisory Committee (NSQAC) functions (concluded)

Member of the Board of the Eastern Sydney Area Health Service (concluded)

Member of the Pharmacy Board of New South Wales (concluded)

Director of the Management Committee of Westmead Research Institute (concluded)

Member of the Pathology Laboratories Accreditation Board (concluded)

Principal consultant to the NSW Law Reform Commission on the artificial conception reference (concluded)

Honours thesis: Mitochondrial Populations in Chick Embryo Liver

Ph.D. thesis: Some aspects of the nature and role of Phospholipids in Spermatozoa (from which 19 scientific publications resulted)

INFRASTRUCTURE

Chair, Gardior Pty Limited (Trustee of the Infrastructure Fund (TIF))

Chair, Land Services South Australia (concluded)

ENVIRONMENT

Chair, Reef 2050 Advisory Committee

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

Member, Advisory Board of the Law School of the Chinese University of Hong Kong

Member, Advisory Group to Dean of Medicine (UNSW) (concluded)

Chancellor, Bond University (concluded)

Pro-Chancellor, Australian National University (concluded)

Member, Advisory Group to Dean of Medicine (University of Sydney) (concluded)

COMMISSIONS AND INQUIRIES

Member, Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority (IPEA)

Member, Expert Committee advising Group of Eight Universities on Anti-Semitism (Jan to May 2026)

Acting Commissioner, Independent Parliamentary Standards Commission (IPSC) (concluded)

Commissioner, Project 13 report on the verification of automated DNA IQ protocol (Queensland) (concluded)

Commissioner, Royal Commission into National Natural Disaster Arrangements (the Bushfire Royal Commission) (concluded)

Commissioner, NSW Law Reform Commission (Digital Assets reference) (concluded)

Member, Review Board into the Integrity of the Australian Carbon Credit Unit System (the Chubb Review) (concluded)

Member, Panel of inquiry into Religious Freedom (the Ruddock Panel) (concluded)

Nominee of the Medal Sports to the Sports Integrity Inquiry to the Australian Government (concluded)

Commissioner, Law Reform Commission (NSW) conducting digital assets review (concluded)

President, Anti-Discrimination Board of NSW (part-time) (concluded)

Part-time Commissioner of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission (concluded)

SPORT and ARBITRATION

Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration for Sport

Chair, International Cricket Council Disputes Committee

Member, Indicative List of Governmental and Non-governmental panellists for the World Trade Organisation (WTO) Disputes Settlement Process

Member, World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) Mediation and Arbitration List of Neutrals (concluded)

Member, International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes Panel of Arbitrators (ICSID) (concluded)

Pool member, NBN Co Dispute Resolution Panel (concluded)

Panellist for Domain Name Disputes (WIPO) (concluded)

SELECTED OTHER GOVERNMENT POSITIONS/COMMUNITY

Member, Community Migrant Resource Centre Board

Member (and former President), Chief Executive Women

Member (and former President), Australian Academy of Forensic Sciences

President (Part-time) Anti-Discrimination Board of NSW (concluded)

Member, Eastern Sydney Area Health Service Board (concluded)

Director, Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation (formerly the Prince of Wales Children's Hospital Foundation) (concluded)

Trustee, Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust (concluded)

Member of the Medico-Legal Society of NSW (concluded)