

## **Attorney-General for Australia**

### **The Hon Christian Porter MP**

Friday, 02 November 2018

#### **Federal Court appointment**

Media release

Mr Paul Anastassiou QC has been appointed as a judge of the Federal Court of Australia and will commence in the Melbourne Registry on 1 February 2019.

Mr Anastassiou graduated with a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws (Honours) from the University of Melbourne in 1982. He was admitted as a practitioner of the Supreme Court of Victoria in 1985.

He began his career as a solicitor with Phillips Fox and Masel before being called to the Victorian Bar in 1987, and was appointed silk in 2002.

Mr Anastassiou has extensive experience in a wide range of complex commercial disputes, focusing on corporations' matters and class actions.

Mr Anastassiou has also served in many leadership roles over his 30 year career at the Victorian Bar, including as President in 2016.

On behalf of the Government, I congratulate Mr Anastassiou on his appointment and thank him for his willingness to serve the people of Australia as a judge of the Federal Court of Australia.