



NEW SOUTH WALES
BAR ASSOCIATION

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BAR COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Thursday 23 April 2015
in the Boardroom of the New South Wales Bar Association
at 4.30 pm

PRESENT: Needham SC (by phone); Hutley SC; Moses SC; Doyle Gray;
Menzies QC; Sullivan QC; Phillips SC; Game SC; Cunneen
SC; Traill; Walker; Toomey; Callan; Hyde Page; Antipas;
Sethi

APOLOGIES: Bennett AO QC; Khandhar; Wood; Stitt

NON-ATTENDANCE: Hogan-Doran

IN ATTENDANCE: Manager, Professional Conduct; Executive Assistant

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of 26 March 2015 were confirmed.

The minutes of the Executive meeting of 14 April 2015 were noted.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Memorandum to the Bar Council dated 23 April 2015 from the President – Silk Selection Committee 2015

Pursuant to cl. 8 of the Senior Counsel Protocol, the Bar Council endorsed the President's appointment of the 2015 Silk Selection Committee membership:

Jane Needham SC
Noel Hutley SC
Robert Sutherland SC

Sarah McNaughton SC
 Michael Fordham SC
 Liz Cheeseman SC
 The Hon Joe Campbell QC
 Lieutenant General David Morrison AO

MEMBERSHIP

The following were admitted as Class A – Local Practising Barrister :

Thomas Bagley	9 Selborne Chambers
Emma Bathurst	5 St James Hall
Maeve Curry	Sir Owen Dixon Chambers
Benjamin Curtin	Ground Floor Wentworth
Bryce Douglas-Baker	Blackstone Chambers
Marcel Fernandes	12 Selborne/Wentworth
David Grey – B	4 th Floor St James Hall
Andrew Jordan	9 Wentworth Chambers
Timothy Kane	12 Selborne/Wentworth
Julie Kearney	Stockton, NSW
Ryan May	Banco Chambers
Angus O'Brien	Banco Chambers
Taran Ramrakha	7 Garfield Barwick Chambers
James Smith	Martin Place Chambers
Mark Turnbull	Pennant Hills, NSW
Sarah Warren	9 Windeyer Chambers

FOR INFORMATION

Report to the Bar Council from the Human Rights Committee on activities from 1 July to 31 December 2014

Noted.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Practice Development Committee held on Wednesday, 25 February 2015

Noted.

Letter to Mr Mark Johnstone, NSW Sentencing Council dated 8 April 2015 from the President – Possible amendments to the *Crimes (Sentencing Procedure) Act 1999* aimed at deterring alcohol and drug fuelled violence

Noted.

Letter to The Hon Mike Baird MP dated 9 April 2015 from the President – Justice portfolio administrative arrangements

Noted.

Letter to The Hon Gabrielle Upton MP dated 10 April 2015 from the Executive Director

Noted.

The following papers were circulated via e-mail prior to the Council meeting.

- Email to the Bar Council dated 26 March 2015 from the Deputy Executive Director – Submission on the sentencing of child sexual assault offenders
- Email to the Bar Council dated 31 March 2015 from the Deputy Executive Director – Draft submission to the Royal Commission on Institutionalised Responses to Child Sexual Abuse Paper – Redress and Civil Litigation

The meeting closed at 6.00pm.

Confirmed as a correct record.

Jane Needham SC
President

Date: