



NEW SOUTH WALES
BAR ASSOCIATION

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BAR COUNCIL

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday 8 May 2014
in the Boardroom of the New South Wales Bar Association
at 5.00 pm

PRESENT: Boulten SC; Needham SC; Hutley SC; McHugh SC;
Toomey; Street SC; Game SC; Moses SC; McGrath SC;
Traill; Walker; Healey; Morris; Stone; Hunt; Gleeson (by
phone); Page; Dobraszczyk

APOLOGIES: Temby QC; Khandhar; Callan

IN ATTENDANCE: Executive Director; Deputy Executive Director

**Report on Suitability of Approaching the Attorney General for Support for the
Establishment of a System for the Appointment of Queen's Counsel**

The Bar Council considered in detail the report of the Working Group dated 16 April 2014 on whether the Association should approach the Government suggesting the reinstatement of the office of Queen's Counsel in NSW.

The President thanked the members of the Working Group for their comprehensive report.

After a wide ranging discussion, it was concluded that an approach to the Executive Government to re-establish a system for the appointment of Queen's Counsel would not be in the public interest. Bar Council **RESOLVED** not to proceed with any approach to the Government in this regard.

Confirmed as a correct record:

Jane Needham SC

President

Date: