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Territory's newest judge sworn in

The newest resident Judge of the ACT Supreme Court has been sworn in at a special ceremony today.

Justice Chrissa Loukas-Karlsson SC was appointed to the ACT Supreme Court bench in February this year.

Attorney-General Gordon Ramsay joined the Supreme Court and the ACT's legal profession in welcoming her to the ACT at today's ceremony.

"Justice Loukas-Karlsson has a reputation for resilience, integrity and a deep understanding for social justice. She is highly regarded as an advocate for women and a leader of the profession," Minister Ramsay said.

"She is well equipped for this role, with almost 30 years of experience in advocacy at the highest levels, as well as experience in legal policy areas of the NSW Attorney-General's Department and roles as acting District Court judge and Administrative Decisions Tribunal member."

Justice Loukas-Karlsson was admitted as a Barrister in 1989 and a Senior Counsel in 2012. Amongst many accolades, she was awarded the Senior Barrister Award at the Women in Law Awards in 2013 and awarded the Women Lawyers Association of New South Wales Barrister of the Year in 2017.

"Justice Loukas-Karlsson will bring a wealth of criminal law procedural knowledge and experience representing the most marginalised and disempowered in complex matters," Minister Ramsay said.

"Her appointment maintains the strong representation of women within the ACT judiciary.

"I am confident she will apply her skills, along with her commitment to the law to support the Court in delivering accessible, efficient and equitable justice for the Canberra community."

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