

Media Release

New Chief Judge at Common Law appointed to NSW Supreme Court

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One of Australia's most experienced members of the judiciary has been appointed a Judge of Appeal and Chief Judge at Common Law to the NSW Supreme Court.

The Hon Justice Ian Harrison was admitted as a solicitor in 1975 and called to the bar in 1977. He has practised in areas including building and construction matters, equity and insurance, property law and medical negligence and was an experienced appellate advocate.

Justice Harrison conducted the Australian Federal Police Corruption Inquiry in 1996 and was Assistant Commissioner to the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) Inquiry into Orange Grove in 2004-05.

He has been Director of the Law Council of Australia, President of the Australian Bar Association and President of the New South Wales Bar Association.

He became a Justice of the Supreme Court of NSW in February 2007.

NSW Attorney General Michael Daley said:

"We are fortunate to have one of Australia's most incisive legal minds and a highly esteemed judicial officer in the Honourable Justice Ian Harrison.

"Justice Harrison been greatly respected throughout his illustrious legal career. He is dynamic and wise and has a commanding intellect. He is an auspicious appointment as Chief Judge at Common Law and as a Judge of Appeal to the Supreme Court of NSW."

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