



NEW SOUTH WALES
BAR ASSOCIATION

**THE NEW SOUTH WALES BAR ASSOCIATION
BAR COUNCIL**

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

**Thursday 24 May 2018
in the Boardroom of the New South Wales Bar Association
at 4.30 pm**

PRESENT: Moses SC; Game SC; Callan; Weinstein SC; Nomchong SC;
Bashir SC; Higgins SC; Walker; Khandhar; Williams; Katekar;
Rayment; Izzo; Roy; Ensor; Mack

APOLOGIES: Bell SC; Mitchelmore; McHugh SC; Morgan SC; Whittaker

IN ATTENDANCE: Executive Director; Deputy Executive Director

GUEST

WHS Presentation to Bar Council by Jim Fox, Partner of Minter Ellison

Noted. The Council thanked Mr Jim Fox and Ms Harriet Eager for their presentation.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of 10 May 2018 were confirmed.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BAR COUNCIL
OF 10 May 2018**

Noted.

OUTSTANDING ACTIONS AS AT 17 May 2018

Noted. It was noted that the proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the NAB regarding the bar escrow project would be executed in the next few days.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Noted.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Noted.

FINANCE

Financial statements for April 2018.

Noted.

MEMBERSHIP

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

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| Benjamin Cameron | Banco Chambers |
| Katrina Curry | 7 Garfield Barwick Chambers |
| Stephen Dametto | Banco Chambers |
| Christopher Day | Saphire Beach, NSW |
| Stephen Dayeian | Sir Owen Dixon Chambers |
| Elanor Doyle-Marwick | 10 Selborne/Wentworth |
| Aidan Gandar | University Chambers |
| Stephen Hopper | Sir Owen Dixon Chambers |
| Brendan Jones | 9 Windeyer Chambers |
| Constantina Lioumis | Waratah Chambers |
| Matthew McAuliffe | Wardell Chambers |
| Anders Mykkeltvedt | Maurice Buyers |
| Eliot Olivier | 5 Wentworth Chambers |
| Simon Snow | 10 Selborne/Wentworth |
| Jayne Treherne | Level 22 Chambers |
| Georgina Westgarth | 6 Selborne/Wentworth |
| Andrew Wong | Forbes Chambers |

FOR CONSIDERATION

Extract from Bar Council Minutes of 10 May 2018

**Letter to the President dated 2 May 2018 from the Parliamentary Counsel's Office –
Submission concerning barristers who practise as Parliamentary Counsel**

It was agreed that officers of the Parliamentary Counsel's Office (PCO) are not eligible for appointment as Senior Counsel pursuant to the Senior Counsel Protocol.

So far as practising certificates for PCO officers are concerned, it was also agreed to waive the condition requiring that they undertake the Bar Practice Course.

The Executive Director is to draft a suitable response to the Acting Parliamentary Counsel.

Memorandum to the Bar Council dated 17 May 2018 from the Executive Director – ABA/NSWBA National Conference 15 – 17 November 2018

Noted. The Bar Council approved the proposed budget for the Conference.

Memorandum from the Director, Professional Conduct – Solicitor's Conduct Rules

Noted

GENERAL BUSINESS

The Senior Vice-President noted that the current Barristers' Benevolent Association Trust Deed was out of date and its provisions should be reviewed. It was agreed that a copy of the Trust Deed should be circulated to Bar Councillors with a view to further discussion.

FOR INFORMATION

New South Wales Bar Association submission to the Australian Law Reform Commission Review of the Family Law System – issues paper 48

Noted.

Letter to the Chief Judge of the District Court of NSW dated 9 May 2018 from the President – Availability of court rooms at the Downing Centre

Noted.

Letter to the Chief Judge of the District Court of NSW dated 9 May 2018 from the President – Security arrangements at John Maddison Tower

Noted.

Letter to the Attorney General dated 9 May 2018 from the President – Availability of court rooms at the Downing Centre

Noted.

Letter to the Attorney General dated 9 May 2018 from the President – Security arrangements at John Maddison Tower

Noted.

Memorandum to the Bar Council dated 24 May 2018 from the Director, Professional Conduct – Solicitors Conduct Rules

Minutes of Meeting of the:-

Common Law Committee dated 13 March 2018

Industrial, Employment, Health and Safety Committee dated 17 April 2018

Practice Development Committee dated 7 March 2018

Finance, Investment & Audit Committee dated 11 May 2018

Practice Development Committee Report on activities – 1 July 2017 to 31 December 2017

Noted.

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

The meeting closed at 6.30 pm.

Confirmed as a correct record:

Arthur Moses SC

President

Date: