



**ATTORNEY-GENERAL  
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**APPOINTMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS TRIBUNAL**

Attorney-General Robert McClelland today announced the appointment of Justice Brian Tamberlin as a Deputy President of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

“It gives me great pleasure to announce Justice Tamberlin’s appointment to the Tribunal’s Sydney Registry,” Mr McClelland said.

The Administrative Appeals Tribunal is an independent body that reviews a wide range of administrative decisions made by the Australian Government.

Justice Tamberlin has been a presidential member of the Tribunal since 2005 and will take up the appointment as Deputy President on 30 March 2009, following his retirement from the Federal Court of Australia.

A short biography of Justice Tamberlin is attached.

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**Justice Brian Tamberlin**

Justice Tamberlin was admitted to the bar in 1967 and worked as a barrister in New South Wales until 1994, specialising in Town Planning Law, Commercial Law and Administrative Law and Equity. He was appointed a Queen's Counsel in 1981, and has been a Judge of the Federal Court of Australia since 1994 and the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory since 2003.

Justice Tamberlin has a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws from the University of Sydney and a Masters of Law from Harvard Law School. He has lectured in Federal Constitutional Law, Administrative Law and Intellectual Property both in Australia and overseas.