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MEDIA STATEMENT – SENIOR COUNSEL APPOINTMENTS 2017

The Chief Justice of Western Australia, the Hon Wayne Martin AC, today announced the appointment of three Senior Counsel for 2017, after 18 applications were received. The appointments are **Mr Stephen Wright, Ms Amanda Burrows** and **Mr Simon Freitag**.

Mr Wright practises as a barrister, specialising in native title, including Aboriginal heritage, trusts and mining, and taxation. Ms Burrows is a criminal prosecutor with the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions. Mr Freitag practises as a criminal barrister.

Appointment as Senior Counsel is based on eminence in the practice of law, especially in advocacy, unquestioned integrity, availability and independence. A Committee advises the Chief Justice on applications for appointment.

The Committee, chaired by Chief Justice Martin, comprises the President of the Court of Appeal, the Senior Judge of the Supreme Court, the President of the State Administrative Tribunal, the Senior Judge of the Federal Court resident in Perth, the Chief Judge of the Family Court and the Chief Judge of the District Court.

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