



SUPREME COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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Appointment to Supreme Court

The Supreme Court of Western Australia welcomes the appointment of his Honour Judge Terence Palmer SC as a judge of the Court. His Honour's appointment, which will commence on 28 January 2025, fills a vacancy in the Court created by the recent appointment of Justice Samuel Vandongen to the Federal Court of Australia.

Justice Palmer has served as a judge of the District Court of Western Australia since 31 July 2023, prior to which his Honour practised as an independent barrister specialising in commercial law. His Honour was appointed Senior Counsel in 2021. Prior to joining the bar, his Honour held the position of Special Counsel at the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

Chief Justice Peter Quinlan, on behalf of the Court, congratulated Justice Palmer on his appointment.

'It is with great pleasure that we welcome the appointment of Justice Palmer to the Court,' Chief Justice Quinlan said. 'His Honour's legal and judicial experience is ideally suited to the full range of the Court's jurisdiction. Justice Palmer's broad experience in commercial and corporations law, in particular, will greatly contribute to the Court's existing expertise in resolving commercial disputes in this State. We look forward to working with his Honour as he takes up this new role in serving the community and the administration of justice.'

Justice Palmer will be formally welcomed to the Court at a ceremonial sitting on a date to be announced.

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