



# SUPREME COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### **Appointment of New Supreme Court Judge**

The Supreme Court of Western Australia welcomes the appointment of Mr Alain Musikanth SC as a judge of the Court.

Mr Musikanth SC, who will commence on 6 November 2023, brings close to 30 years of legal experience to the Court. He currently practises as an independent barrister from Francis Burt Chambers, of which he is also the Chairperson. Mr Musikanth commenced practice in 1994 as a member of the Cape Bar in South Africa before moving to Western Australia in 2001. He was appointed Senior Counsel in 2018.

Mr Musikanth has practised extensively in commercial litigation, including in taxation, corporations law, commercial contracts and building and construction disputes. He is a qualified mediator and arbitrator. Mr Musikanth has served on a wide variety of professional bodies, including as President of the Law Society of Western Australia, Director of the Law Council of Australia, Director of Law Access and President of the WA Society of Jewish Lawyers & Jurists.

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

'The Court warmly welcomes Justice Musikanth to the Court and his family to the community of the Court', Chief Justice Quinlan said. 'Justice Musikanth's strong reputation for integrity and his wide experience across the Court's jurisdiction will significantly contribute to the work of the Court and the administration of justice. We look forward to working with his Honour as he takes up this new role.'

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

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