



HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA

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MEDIA RELEASE – APPOINTMENT OF NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE & PRINCIPAL REGISTRAR

The Chief Justice of Australia, the Hon Susan Kiefel AC, today announced that the Governor-General has accepted the High Court's nomination of Ms Philippa Lynch PSM as the new Chief Executive and Principal Registrar of the Court, following the retirement of Mr Andrew Phelan. Ms Lynch will take up the appointment on 10 February 2018.

Ms Lynch is the First Assistant Secretary of the Government Division of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, and previously held a number of senior positions within the Attorney-General's Department. Ms Lynch holds degrees in Law and Arts from the Australian National University and is admitted as a solicitor in the Supreme Court of New South Wales. She was awarded the Public Service Medal in 2016.

The Chief Justice expressed her appreciation for the outstanding contribution of Mr Phelan in over a decade as Chief Executive & Principal Registrar of the Court.

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