# ANNABELLE CLAIRE BENNETT

#### **OCCUPATION:**

Judge of the Federal Court of Australia

## **TERTIARY QUALIFICATIONS:**

B.Sc. (Hons.) University of Sydney

Ph.D., University of Sydney

LL.B., University of New South Wales

# **CURRENT POSITIONS:**

Pro-Chancellor of the Australian National University

Trustee of the Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust

Member of Chief Executive Women

Presidential Member of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal

Additional Judge of the Supreme Court of the ACT

Member of the Law Academic Advisory Committee of The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Member of the Australian Academy of Forensic Sciences

Arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration for Sport

Head of Delegation for the APEC Women Leaders' Network Meeting in Peru May 2008

Member of various Australian and International legal associations

## **FORMER POSITIONS:**

Barrister (Senior Counsel)

Admitted to practice New South Wales, Australian Capital Territory, Western Australia (as QC), Victoria, South Australia, Queensland and Northern Territory. Areas of specialisation included intellectual property, administrative law and professional misconduct

Member of the Reference Group for the APEC Women Leaders' Network Meeting 2007

President of the Australian Academy of Forensic Sciences [2003–2005]

President of Chief Executive Women

Director of the Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation (formerly the Prince of Wales Children's Hospital Foundation)

Member of the Takeovers Panel

Member of the Genetic Manipulation Advisory Committee

Member of the Biotechnology Consultative Group (BIOCOG) to the Commonwealth Government

Member of the Administrative Decisions Tribunal of NSW

Panelist - World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO)

Advisory Committee Member of the Australian Law Reform Commission on the Gene Patenting & Human Health Reference

Acting Judge of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, Equity Division

Part-time Commissioner of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunities Commission

Member Supreme Court of New South Wales Mediators Panel [to which matters are referred by the Court for mediation]

Member NSW Bar Association Mediators Panel

Member - Vaccine Working Group of Australian National Council on AIDS, Hepatitis C and Related Diseases (ANCHARD)

Member of the Medico-Legal Society of New South Wales [1972–2003]

Member of the Board of the Eastern Sydney Area Health Service [1988–1990] The Board was responsible for the administration of hospitals and health care in the Eastern Sydney Area

- Chairman of Ethics Policy Committee
- Chairman of Sub-Committee on Community Health
- Chairman of Medical Practices Committee

Member of the Working Party of the Australian Medical Council to consider the Transfer of National Specialist Qualification Advisory Committee (NSQAC) functions

Member of the Pharmacy Board of New South Wales: This involved setting up the procedures of the Board (including disciplinary procedures) after the commencement of a new Pharmacy Act

Director of the Management Committee of Westmead Research Institute

Member of the Companies Committee of the Business Law Section of the Law Council of Australia

Member of International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation

Member of the Pathology Laboratories Accreditation Board: The Board set in place the system of accreditation of pathology laboratories in New South Wales which was subsequently adopted by the Commonwealth

Principal consultant to the New South Wales Law Reform Commission on the artificial conception reference

Member of the Board of the United Dental Hospital Sydney

Member Human Ethical Review Committee of the Faculty of Dentistry Sydney University

Member of the Legal Profession Advisory Council [1998–1999]

Chair of the EEO Committee of the New South Wales Bar Association

Member of the Executive Council of The International Academy of Estate and Trust Law

## AWARDS:

Officer (AO) in the General Division of the Order of Australia 2005 Centenary Medal 2003 University of New South Wales Alumni Award 1999

# **OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:**

Qualified mediator: Completed LEADR mediation course in 1992 Completed Professor Fisher's negotiation course in August 1988

## THESIS TOPICS:

Honours thesis: Mitochondrial Populations in Chick Embryo Liver

Ph.D. thesis: Some aspects of the nature and role of Phospholipids in Spermatozoa (from which nineteen scientific publications resulted)

## **MARITAL STATUS:**

Married to David Bennett AO QC

# CHILDREN:

Three children: Lyria aged 34 years, Tala aged 32 years and Paul aged 24 years

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Federal Court of Australia Law Courts Building Queens Square Sydney NSW 2000 [business]

10 Bathurst Street Woollahra NSW 2025 [home]

#### DATE OF BIRTH:

8 January 1950

## **NATIONALITY:**

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