



Office of the Information Commissioner

Freedom of information for Western Australia

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APPOINTMENT OF ACTING WA INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

Su Lloyd, formerly the Principal Legal Officer at the Office of the Information Commissioner, has been appointed Acting WA Information Commissioner for a period of 6 months, commencing on 22 September 2017.

Holding degrees in law and education, Su is also a nationally accredited mediator, and a former Adjunct Professor at the School of Law, Murdoch University.

Su's previous role at OIC included developing and implementing the office's strategic plans, and dealing with the most complex and sensitive external review applications. Prior to joining the OIC in November 2012, Su held senior executive positions in government for over a decade, primarily in strategic industrial relations and corporate restructuring roles.

She has also enjoyed a diverse legal career including at large commercial law firms, as a barrister, 5 years heading a boutique legal practice, and as special counsel, workplace relations with a mid-sized commercial law firm.

An accredited Gateway reviewer for the Commonwealth and WA, Su has reviewed several major high profile ICT infrastructure projects including a statewide health ICT system, a whole of government IT system valued at over \$2 billion, a justice sector project worth \$85 million and the strategic assessment of a new government agency with an annual budget in excess of \$280 million.

Su's overseas experience includes presentations to the UK's Information Commissioner Office in Manchester, UK and Belfast, Northern Ireland in 2014, advanced mediation training at the World Intellectual Property organisation in Geneva, Switzerland, and more recently, as Expert Assessor and guest presenter at an international mediation competition – CDRC Vienna, Austria earlier this year.

Su said that Sven Bluemmel has left the office in a strong position going forward, with an experienced and capable staff in place, and a reputation for integrity, impartiality and effectiveness.

"Having worked alongside Sven for the last 5 years, and having previously acted in the role of Information Commissioner, I am confident that, with our staff, we will continue to build on and strengthen that reputation. I look forward to working with government, agencies and the community to enhance awareness of and improve the administration of FOI in Western Australia"

