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NEW MAGISTRATE FOR LOCAL COURT OF NSW

Principal Registrar of the Supreme Court, Megan Greenwood, has been appointed a Magistrate of the Local Court of NSW, Attorney General John Hatzistergos announced today.

“For the past ten years, Ms Greenwood has served with distinction as a court registrar with the Supreme and Land and Environment Courts,” Mr Hatzistergos said.

“Through her experience in civil practice and procedure she has developed a reputation for diligence and impartiality as a legal practitioner.”

As the Chief Executive Officer and Principal Registrar of the Supreme Court since 2003, Ms Greenwood worked with the Chief Justice and heads of division on practice and procedure to improve case flow management.

Exercising powers delegated by the Chief Justice, she presided in court over case management, discovery, particulars, expedition, security for costs and set aside default judgments and costs.

At the Supreme Court, she wrote numerous procedural practice notes including the Defamation List and Criminal Proceedings practice notes.

In 2000, she was appointed the Registrar of the Land and Environment Court presiding in court to make orders for discovery, particulars, expedition, joinder, case management and costs.

Earlier in her career, Ms Greenwood held a number of positions with the Department of Justice and Attorney General including Acting Director of Community Justice Centres and Acting Director of the Crime Prevention Division

She graduated from Sydney University’s College of Law in 2000 and holds a Masters of Business Administration from Monash University.

Ms Greenwood will be sworn in as a Magistrate of the Local Court of NSW on Monday, September 27.

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