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SENIOR COUNSEL APPOINTED A SUPREME COURT JUDGE

Christine Adamson SC has been appointed a judge of the Supreme Court of NSW, Attorney General Greg Smith SC announced today.

“Ms Adamson is an experienced and highly regarded barrister, who richly deserves her elevation to the bench of the Supreme Court,” Mr Smith said.

Ms Adamson has most recently served as counsel assisting the Special Commission of Inquiry into the NSW Electricity Transactions.

In 2010, Ms Adamson appeared as counsel assisting the Independent Commission Against Corruption for the inquiries into former Labor MPs Karyn Paluzzano and Angela D’Amore and members of their staff.

Ms Adamson has also appeared on behalf of the NSW Bar Association in a range of disciplinary matters against barristers, including the former judge Marcus Einfeld and the former Deputy Senior Crown Prosecutor Patrick Power.

Ms Adamson studied law at the University of Adelaide, graduating with first-class honours in 1985.

She has worked for the Commonwealth Attorney General’s Department in Canberra and the Australian Government Solicitor in Sydney.

Ms Adamson was admitted as a barrister in 1989 and appointed a Senior Counsel in 2003. She has appeared regularly in the NSW Court of Appeal, the Supreme Court and the Federal Court.

Her areas of practice have included administrative law, statutory interpretation, commercial, property and common law, professional indemnity, trade practices and compulsory acquisition - frequently in appellate courts.

Since 2006, she has also served as the Chair of the Council of Law Reporting, which is responsible for publishing the NSW Law Reports.

Ms Adamson will be sworn in as a Supreme Court judge on October 17.

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