

## **Chief Justice Lucy McCallum**

On 8 March 2022, Lucy McCallum was sworn in as the sixth Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory.

Her Honour attended the University of New South Wales where she graduated in 1986 with a Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in philosophy. She worked in Sydney as a solicitor in commercial litigation for 18 months at what was then Mallesons Stephen Jaques before taking a position as a prosecutor in the ACT in 1988. In 1990 her Honour spent a year as a trial advocate with the Queensland DPP. She became a barrister in Sydney in 1991 and took silk in 2005.

In 2008, her Honour was appointed a judge of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in the Common Law Division. She was the Defamation List judge from 2014 to 2018. In 2016, her Honour was appointed Chair of the NSW Judicial Commission Ngara Yura Committee which aims to increase awareness among judicial officers about contemporary Aboriginal and social cultural issues, and their effect on Aboriginal people in the justice system. In February 2019, her Honour was elevated to the New South Wales Court of Appeal where she sat on a wide range of matters until her Honour's appointment as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory.