

# ACTCS

## The Board's Conflict of Interest and Bias Policy

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The Sentence Administration Board (the Board) has adopted a [\*Conflict of Interest and Bias Policy\*](#) to further support its independence and lawful decision making.

The *Crimes (Sentence Administration) Act 2005* (the CSA Act) provides the framework for the Board to make various decisions about the granting and management of parole orders, breaches of parole orders, and breaches and the re-instatement of intensive correction orders (supervisory functions). The exercise of supervisory functions by the Board is subject to the *Human Rights Act 2004*, and natural justice must be observed (s196 (1) CSA Act). The twin pillars of natural justice are; firstly, a fair opportunity to be heard, and secondly, to have a case considered by a fair-minded person and body open to its merits. The aim of the Policy is to ensure the Board and its members meet the standards associated with the second pillar of natural justice.

### MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD

The Board consists of a Chair, at least one Deputy Chair, and not more than eight other members. The Minister appoints members for a period not exceeding three years (s174 CSA Act). The Chair and Deputy Chair are judicial members, who have been "a legal practitioner for not less than 5 years" (s174 (8) CSA Act). The current Chair and Deputy Chair of the Board each have extensive experience across many aspects of the criminal justice system.

Membership of the Board is currently as follows:

Chair	Ms Laura Beacroft (appointed 14 May 2017)
Deputy Chair	Mr Donald Malcolmson (re-appointed 14 May 2017)

Members	<p>Ms Deborah Evans (re-appointed 14 May 2017)</p> <p>Mr Peter Hyndal (appointed 14 May 2017)</p> <p>Ms Janine Bromwich (appointed 14 May 2017)</p> <p>Mr Philip Moss (appointed 14 May 2017)</p> <p>Dr Judy Putt (appointed 14 May 2017)</p> <p>Ms Diane Bray (appointed 24 November 2017)</p> <p>Dr John Cianchi (appointed 24 November 2017)</p> <p>ACT Policing representative: Superintendent, Judicial Operations</p>
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