



MEDIA RELEASE

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NEW SUPREME COURT JUDGE APPOINTED

NSW Attorney General John Hatzistergos today announced the appointment of Judge Robert Allan Hulme, SC, to the bench of the Supreme Court of NSW.

“Judge Hulme is an experienced and well credentialed judicial officer, who has served as a District Court judge for almost four years,” Mr Hatzistergos said.

“He performed the role of Acting Judge in the Supreme Court late last year and I welcome his return to the court, this time on a permanent basis.”

During a 25-year legal career, Judge Hulme has served as a Deputy Senior Crown Prosecutor, a Deputy Senior Public Defender and as a senior solicitor at Legal Aid NSW.

He also worked on the inquiry into the convictions of Tim Anderson, Paul Alister and Ross Dunn, who were arrested in 1978 for conspiring to murder National Front leader Robert Cameron. The trio had their convictions quashed following the inquiry.

Judge Hulme was appointed a solicitor in 1984 and became a barrister in 1990. In 2002, he was appointed as a Senior Counsel.

Judge Hulme will be sworn in as a Supreme Court Judge on Monday, March 2 2009.

“I congratulate Judge Hulme on his appointment and wish him every success in the role,” Mr Hatzistergos said.

“His strong background in criminal law will no doubt be an asset to the Supreme Court.”