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National Legal Aid welcomes Yvette D’Ath as new NLA Executive Director

National Legal Aid (NLA) welcomes the recent appointment of the Honourable Yvette D’Ath as the new NLA Executive Director. Ms. D’Ath brings more than twenty-five years of senior leadership experience in areas of justice policy, legal system reform, national advocacy, and statutory oversight.

Ms. D’Ath formerly served as Queensland’s Attorney-General and Minister for Justice, leading significant justice reforms and improvements to the legal system for victims of crime, including domestic and family violence. In doing this, she made a profound impact by influencing Cabinet, Parliament, regulators, and other key stakeholders. Importantly, Ms. D’Ath has dedicated much of her working career to advocating for those most vulnerable which is crucial to the advocacy of national legal assistance services.

We look forward to working with Ms. D’Ath as she contributes to NLA’s mission to improve access to justice for our disadvantaged communities, across the eight state and territory Legal Aids.

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