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Dessau, Linda

Occupation Barrister, Governor, Judge, Lawyer, Solicitor

Summary

Her Excellency the Hon. Linda Dessau AM was the first female Governor of Victoria, sworn in on 1 July 2015. She studied law at the University of Melbourne and was admitted as a barrister and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria in 1975, signing the Victorian Bar Roll in 1978.

In 2017, Her Excellency was made a Companion in the General Division of the Order of Australia ‘for eminent service to the people of Victoria through leadership roles in the judiciary, to the advancement of economic ties and business relationships, and as a supporter of charitable, sporting and arts organisations’.

Events

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