

The Australian Women's Register

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Gordon, Michelle Marjorie

Occupation Judge, Jurist, Lawyer, Senior Counsel, Solicitor

Summary

The Hon. Michelle Gordon is a justice of the High Court of Australia. She was appointed to the Court in June 2015 while serving as a judge of the Federal Court of Australia, an appointment she had held since April 2007. Gordon attended Perth's St Mary's Anglican Girls' School and the Presbyterian Girls' College. After graduating from the University of Western Australia with bachelor degrees in jurisprudence and laws, she was admitted to practice in 1987. She served articles with Robinson Cox before joining Arthur Robinson & Hedderwicks as a solicitor (1988-1992), later becoming a senior associate (1992). Called to the Victorian Bar in 1992, Gordon took silk in 2003. Her practice – in state and federal courts – was predominantly in the areas of commercial, equity, taxation and general civil matters. Between 1998 and 2007, she served as a sessional member of the Victorian Administrative and Administrative Appeals Tribunal; she was also a member of the Law Council of Australia's Taxation Committee, Business Law Section (2003-2007). In July 2015 she was appointed a Professorial Fellow of the Law School, University of Melbourne. Gordon is married to the Hon. Kenneth Hayne AC QC, himself a former justice of the High Court. They have a son.

Published resources

Resource Section

New High Court judge Michelle Gordon lauded as a 'fabulous' lawyer and jurist, Green, Shane, 2015, <http://www.theage.com.au/victoria/new-high-court-judge-michelle-gordon-lauded-as-a-fabulous-lawyer-and-jurist-20150414-1mk>

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