

## Commissioner John McKenzie Legal Services Commissioner for NSW

The Office of the Legal Services Commissioner welcomed the appointment of John McKenzie as the new Legal Services Commissioner for NSW from 12 March 2015.

Mr McKenzie was the Chief Legal Officer of the Aboriginal Legal Service (NSW/ACT) for the previous eight years. He has also held senior positions at the Many Rivers Aboriginal Legal Service and Legal Aid NSW.

Mr McKenzie is a respected senior criminal lawyer of more than 36 years experience, particularly for Aboriginal people and has shown outstanding

achievements in improving access to justice.

Mr McKenzie was a principal solicitor at the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody between 1987 and 1991 and in the years that followed he remained committed to ensuring its recommendations were implemented.

Mr McKenzie has been re-appointed as Legal Services Commissioner for a period of five years from 28 February 2019.