

Hon Greg Smith SC MP

Attorney General Minister for Justice

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TOM BATHURST QC SWORN IN AS CHIEF JUSTICE

The Attorney General, Greg Smith SC, has welcomed Tom Bathurst QC as the State's new Chief Justice at a ceremonial sitting of the NSW Supreme Court today.

Mr Smith said Mr Bathurst's appointment followed an exceptional career as a barrister and stints as president of both the Australian Bar Association and the NSW Bar Association.

Mr Smith welcomed the Chief Justice's stated goals of making justice more accessible and more affordable - and of making full use of the technology to serve those ends.

"Mr Bathurst brings to the position an enviable reputation, a wealth of experience and a commitment to public service," said the Attorney General.

"I am sure he will make an outstanding contribution to the administration of justice in NSW."