



# Hon Greg Smith SC MP

Attorney General  
Minister for Justice

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### **SYDNEY BARRISTER APPOINTED A DISTRICT COURT JUDGE**

The NSW Attorney General, Greg Smith SC, today announced the appointment of Phillip Mahony SC as a judge of the District Court of NSW.

“Mr Mahony brings 33 years of diverse legal experience to the bench of the District Court,” Mr Smith said.

As a barrister, Mr Mahony has practised extensively in the District and Supreme Courts of NSW, representing defendants in criminal trials and appearing on behalf of plaintiffs and defendants in civil trials.

Mr Mahony has represented both sides in common law proceedings including cases involving professional negligence, industrial accidents and motor vehicle accidents.

He has appeared on behalf of insurers in a range of matters including cases involving allegations of fraud. He has also prosecuted matters for the NSW Bar Association.

While his practice has been based in NSW, Mr Mahony has also appeared in the Supreme Courts of the ACT and Tasmania.

Mr Mahony was admitted as a solicitor in NSW and the ACT in 1979 and achieved partner status at a law firm two years later.

He was admitted as a barrister in 1986 and appointed a Senior Counsel in 2004.

Mr Mahony will be sworn in as a judge of the District Court of NSW on 19 March 2012.