

Notes on Contributors

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Geoffrey Kennett SC (BA (Hons), LLB (Hons), M Pub Law (ANU), LLM (Syd)) was a legal adviser in the Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department and Counsel Assisting the Solicitor-General before commencing practice as a barrister in 1998. He was appointed Senior Counsel in 2010. He practises mainly in the areas of constitutional and administrative law. He holds Honours degrees in arts and law, and a Masters in Public Law from the Australian National University, and an LLM from Sydney University.

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