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Clare, Leanne

(1962 -)

Born 1 January, 1962, Ipswich Queensland Australia

Occupation Barrister, Judge, Lawyer, Senior Counsel

Summary

In July 2000, Leanne Clare was appointed the Queensland Director of Public Prosecutions – the first woman to hold this position in Queensland.

Graduating from the Queensland University of Technology in 1984 with a Bachelor of Laws, Clare was admitted as a Barrister of the Supreme Court of Queensland in the following year. She joined the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, in the Justice and Attorney-General's Department in 1985.

From 1986 to 1989, she was with the Child Abuse Unit and became a Crown Prosecutor in 1988, becoming Senior Crown Prosecutor in 1991. Leanne became a Senior Counsel, Appeals in 1995. She stepped up to act as Director and Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions several times during 1998. During 1999 and 2000, she was an acting member of the District Court in Ipswich.

On the 2nd of April, 2008, she was appointed a judge of the District Court of Queensland.

Published resources

Book Section

Leanne Clare, Currie, Susan, 2005

Site Exhibition

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