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**MEDIA RELEASE**

**APPOINTMENT TO THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT COURT OF AUSTRALIA**

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Anthony (Tony) David Young as a judge of the Federal Circuit Court of Australia, based in the Darwin registry and commencing on 31 July 2015.

Mr Young graduated with a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws from the Melbourne University in 1982. He was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of Victoria in 1983 and signed the High Court roll in the same year.

Commencing as a solicitor with Kevin Davine and Sons in Victoria, Mr Young later moved to the Northern Territory in 1986, where he served as a solicitor in the Northern Territory Legal Aid Commission for four years. He then served as a solicitor for the Australian Legal Aid Office and later the Northern Land Council.

Between 1994 and 2004, Mr Young served as Visiting Lecturer at Charles Darwin University and Northern Territory University. In 2001, Mr Young concurrently served as Hearing Commissioner, Northern Territory Anti-Discrimination Commission. In 2004, he took up the position of Acting Master, Supreme Court of Northern Territory before returning to practice as a barrister in 2005.

Mr Young's legal practice has been extremely varied. Key areas of his practice include family law, administrative and public law, commercial law, trade practices, insolvency law and human rights law.

Mr Young will replace Judge Alexandra Harland, who transferred to the Melbourne registry in March 2015.

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