

Margery Nicoll – Biography

Margery Nicoll is the Director, International of the Law Council of Australia.

Ms Nicoll is a lawyer with more than 25 years experience. Following time in private practice with a law firm in Sydney and as a partner of her own law firm, she joined the Law Council of Australia in 1986. She was appointed Director of Legal and Policy in 1994, before becoming Director, International in 2005.

Her role at the Law Council involves representation and liaison with Government, industry organisations, federal courts, law reform bodies, international legal professional associations, Parliamentary Committees, access to justice bodies, other professional groups and the public.

Ms Nicoll has been a member of numerous Law Council working groups and committees in areas such as access to justice, legal practice and international law.

She has also overseen and contributed to the Law Council of Australia's International Strategy.

Ms Nicoll is a member of the Bar Issues Commission's Policy Committee.

In 2006, she was appointed an Officer at Large of the Bar Issues Commission.

Ms Nicoll presently has responsibility for coordinating the Law Council's response on various aspects of Australia's Free Trade Agreements, and specifically for liaising with law associations, academic institutions, admitting authorities and courts in relation to the impact and potential impact of FTAs on the admission of foreign lawyers and the recognition of foreign legal qualifications.