

PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

Ministers and portfolio responsibilities

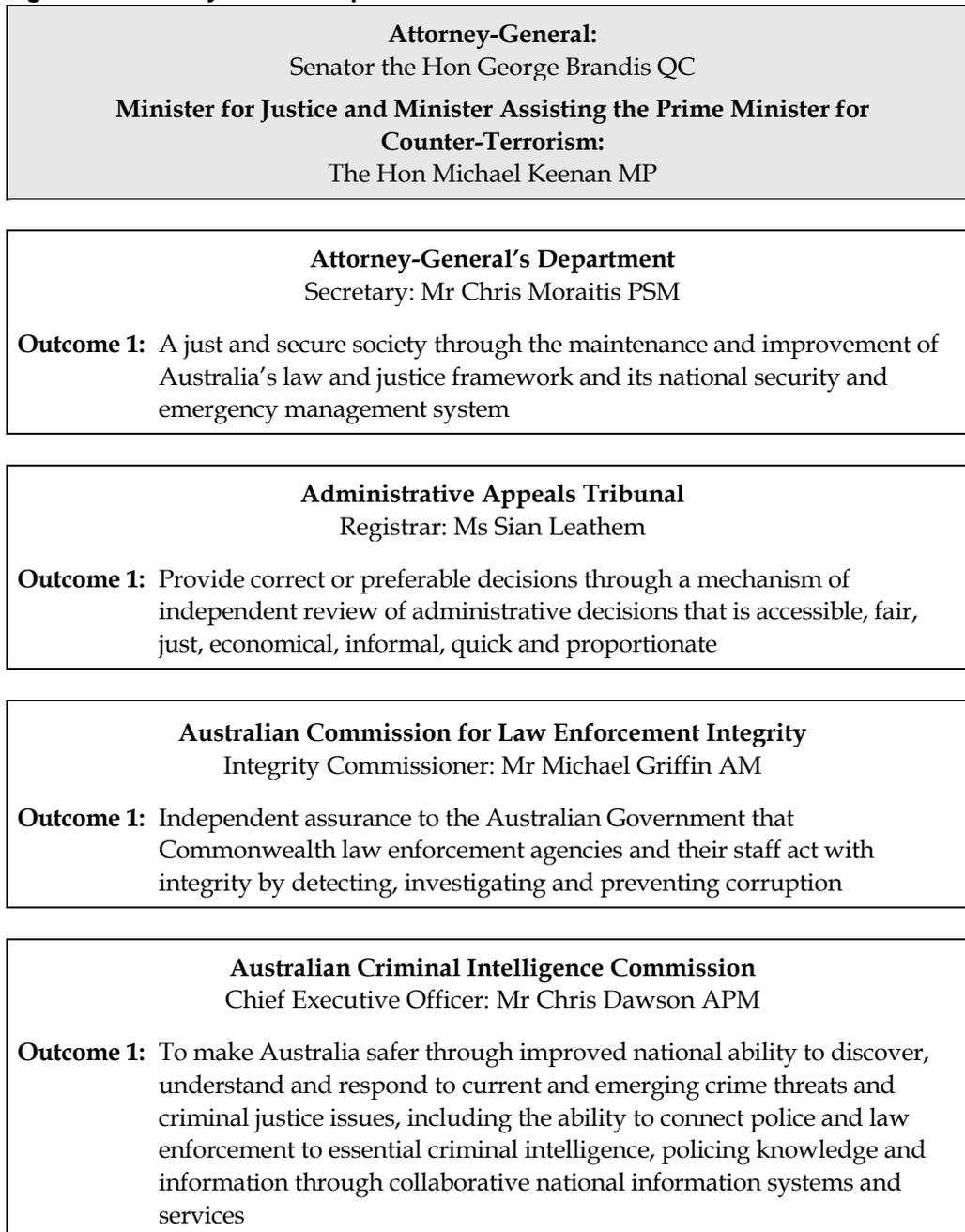
The Attorney-General's portfolio supports the Attorney-General, Senator the Hon George Brandis QC, and the Minister for Justice and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Counter-Terrorism, the Hon Michael Keenan MP.

The portfolio comprises the Attorney-General's Department and 16 portfolio bodies.

The portfolio's responsibilities are diverse. They encompass national security, law enforcement, criminal intelligence and information, legal services, courts and tribunals, regulation and reform, government records management, and support for Royal Commissions.

Figure 1 sets out the structure of the portfolio and the outcome statements for each entity. For information on resourcing across the portfolio, see Part 1: Agency Financial Resourcing in Budget Paper No. 4: Agency Resourcing.

Figure 1: Attorney-General's portfolio structure and outcomes



Australian Federal Police

Commissioner: Mr Andrew Colvin APM OAM

Outcome 1: Reduced criminal and security threats to Australia's collective economic and societal interests through co-operative policing services

Outcome 2: A safe and secure environment through policing activities on behalf of the Australian Capital Territory Government

Australian Financial Security Authority

Acting Chief Executive and Inspector-General in Bankruptcy: Mr Peter Edwards

Outcome 1: Maintain confidence in Australia's personal insolvency and personal property securities systems through delivering fair, efficient and effective trustee and registry services, and risk-based regulation

Australian Human Rights Commission

President and Chief Executive Officer: Professor Gillian Triggs

Outcome 1: An Australian society in which human rights are respected, protected and promoted through independent investigation and resolution of complaints, education and research to promote and eliminate discrimination, and monitoring, and reporting on human rights

Australian Institute of Criminology

Acting Chief Executive Officer: Mr Chris Dawson APM

Outcome 1: Informed crime and justice policy and practice in Australia by undertaking, funding and disseminating policy-relevant research of national significance; and through the generation of a crime and justice evidence base and national knowledge centre

Australian Law Reform Commission

President and Chief Executive Officer: Professor Rosalind Croucher AM

Outcome 1: Informed government decisions about the development, reform and harmonisation of Australian laws and related processes through research, analysis, reports and community consultation and education

Australian Security Intelligence Organisation

Director-General of Security: Mr Duncan Lewis AO DSC CSC

Outcome 1: To protect Australia, its people and its interests from threats to security through intelligence collection, assessment and advice to Government

Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre

Acting Chief Executive Officer: Mr Peter Clark

Outcome 1: The protection of the financial system from criminal abuse through actionable financial intelligence and collaboration with domestic and international partners

Federal Court of Australia

Chief Executive Officer and Principal Registrar: Mr Warwick Soden OAM

Outcome 1: Apply and uphold the rule of law for litigants in the Federal Court of Australia and parties in the National Native Title Tribunal through the resolution of matters according to law and through the effective management of the administrative affairs of the Court and Tribunal

Outcome 2: Apply and uphold the rule of law for litigants in the Family Court of Australia through the resolution of family law matters according to law, particularly for more complex family law matters and through the effective management of the administrative affairs of the Court

Outcome 3: Apply and uphold the rule of law for litigants in the Federal Circuit Court of Australia through more informal and streamlined resolution of family law and general federal law matters according to law, through the encouragement of appropriate dispute resolution processes and through the effective management of the administrative affairs of the Court

Outcome 4: Improved administration and support of the resolution of matters according to law for litigants in the Federal Court of Australia, the Family Court of Australia and the Federal Circuit Court of Australia and parties in the National Native Title Tribunal through efficient and effective provision of shared corporate services

High Court of Australia

Chief Executive and Principal Registrar: Mr Andrew Phelan

Outcome 1: To interpret and uphold the Australian Constitution and perform the functions of the ultimate appellate Court in Australia

National Archives of Australia

Director-General: Mr David Fricker

Outcome 1: To promote the creation, management and preservation of authentic, reliable and usable Commonwealth records and to facilitate Australians' access to the archival resources of the Commonwealth

Office of the Australian Information Commissioner

Australian Information Commissioner and Australian Privacy Commissioner:
Mr Timothy Pilgrim PSM

Outcome 1: Provision of public access to Commonwealth Government information, protection of individuals' personal information, and performance of information commissioner, freedom of information and privacy functions

Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions

Director: Ms Sarah McNaughton SC

Outcome 1: Contribute to a fair, safe and just society by delivering an effective, independent prosecution service in accordance with the *Prosecution Policy of the Commonwealth*

Office of Parliamentary Counsel

First Parliamentary Counsel: Mr Peter Quiggin PSM

Outcome 1: A body of Commonwealth laws and instruments that give effect to intended policy, and that are coherent, readable and readily accessible, through the drafting and publication of those laws and instruments