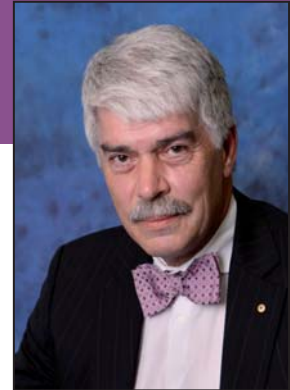


FRIDAY LUNCHTIME SEMINAR SERIES

Judicial Review in Australia: the Administrative Review Council's inquiry

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The Administrative Review Council (ARC) is conducting an inquiry into the operation of judicial review across the federal administrative law system. The inquiry is being conducted as part of the Council's statutory responsibility to keep the administrative law system under review. The Council intends to report to the Attorney-General by the end of 2011.

This lunch time seminar provides a great opportunity for the ARC to promote public discussion about issues raised in the *Consultation Paper Judicial Review in Australia*, released by the Council for comments. There have been considerable changes to the government landscape since the major reforms to the administrative law system in the 1970s.

The ARC believes that it is timely to examine federal judicial review and the Consultation Paper raises issues about the future direction for judicial review including:

- the need for statutory review mechanisms, both general and specific, in light of the fact that constitutional judicial review is entrenched and cannot be excluded by legislation
- the ambit and provisions of a general statutory review scheme, if such a scheme is to be effective, and
- the general principles that should apply to any statutory review scheme, and guidance as to when specific statutory review mechanisms are appropriate.

Written submissions are encouraged and should be made by 24 June 2011. The Consultation Paper and details for making submissions can be found at: <http://www.ag.gov.au/arcjudicialreview>.

Mr Roger Wilkins AO is Secretary of the Attorney-General's Department, a position he has held since September 2008. He was appointed to the ARC in July 2009. Prior to his appointment as Secretary of the Department, Roger was Head of Government and Public Sector Group Australia and New Zealand with Citi and was Citi's global public sector leader on climate change from 2006–2008. From 1992–2006, he was the Director-General of the Cabinet Office in New South Wales where he played a leading role in areas of reform in administration and law, corporatisation and micro-economic reform.

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