
Queen's Birthday Honours 2000



The Hon. J J Spigelman



The Hon. Justice R V Gyles



The Hon. Justice James Wood



David Bennett QC

On 12 June 2000, the following members were awarded Queen's Birthday Honours:

Order of Australia, Companion (AC) in the General Division

The Hon. J J Spigelman, Chief Justice of New South Wales, for service to the law and to the community;

Officer (AO) in the General Division

The Hon. Justice R V Gyles, Federal Court Judge, for service to the legal profession and the judiciary;

The Hon. Justice James Wood, NSW Supreme Court Judge, for service to the community as Royal Commissioner into the NSW Police Service; and

David Bennett QC, Commonwealth Solicitor-General, for service to the law and to the legal profession.

A TRIBUTE

The Honourable Justice Leonie Glynn

Leone Carmel Glynn was appointed a member of the Industrial Commission of New South Wales on 14 April 1980. She now celebrates 20 years on the Bench, as the longest serving female Superior Court Judge in this state. This modest Senior Justice is also the longest serving member of the Industrial Relations Commission of NSW.



Justice Glynn was educated at St Ursula's College, Armidale and then completed a Bachelor of Arts at the University of Sydney. She then studied and completed the Barristers' Admission Board exams, before being admitted to the Bar in NSW in 1964. She has also achieved a Master of Science from Columbia University and served as a legal librarian to the NSW Supreme Court from 1954 to 1976.

She was appointed and served as a Conciliation Commissioner on the Industrial Commission of NSW from 1976 to 1980 and in 1980 was then appointed as a Judicial Member of the Commission.

Indicative of her long and fruitful service on the bench is Justice Glynn's recent report from an inquiry into 'pay equity'. The report deals with questions of undervaluation of women's work, and is a comprehensive guide to applications when award adjustments on this basis are sought and a further guide to the legislative changes necessary to facilitate the process of such applications.

Justice Glynn is a most private judicial officer. Friends, however, speak of her love of travel, devotion to family and love of the written word.