

Media Release

The Hon Martin Pakula MP
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SENTENCING ADVISORY COUNCIL CHAIR REAPPOINTED

Attorney-General Martin Pakula today announced the reappointment of Professor Arie Freiberg AM as the Chair of the Sentencing Advisory Council (SAC) for a further three years.

Professor Freiberg has been Chair of the Board at SAC since 2004 and is considered a leading authority on sentencing issues and the criminal justice system.

He completed a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) and a Diploma of Criminology at Melbourne University in 1972, before completing a Master of Laws at Monash University in 1984 and a Doctor of Laws at Melbourne University in 2001.

Professor Freiberg has held a number of senior academic positions including as Dean of the Faculty of Law at Monash University from 2004 to 2012, and as a visiting scholar at Harvard Law School.

He was appointed Emeritus Professor of Monash University in 2013 and he was made a member of the Order of Australia in 2009 for his services to the law.

Professor Freiberg has been a prolific contributor to legal journals and other publications, and has published many detailed written studies on various aspects of the law, including *Sentencing for Child Sexual Abuse in Institutional Contexts* for the Royal Commission into Institutional Child Sexual Abuse.

He has also written more than 121 articles and chapter contributions to books.

Professor Freiberg has acted as a consultant to the federal, Victorian, South Australian, and Western Australian governments on sentencing matters, as well as to the Australian Law Reform Commission and the South African Law Reform Commission.

Quotes attributable to the Attorney-General Martin Pakula

“Professor Freiberg has made a significant contribution to the justice system in Australia and has a depth of knowledge of sentencing and other issues affecting Victoria’s criminal justice system.”

“I congratulate Professor Freiberg on his reappointment and look forward to seeing his continued work with the Sentencing Advisory Council.”