

Australian Capital Territory

# Public Place Names (Coombs) Determination 2018

Disallowable instrument DI2018 – 83

made under the

**Public Place Names Act 1989, s 3 (Minister to determine names)**

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**1 Name of instrument**

This instrument is the *Public Place Names (Coombs) Determination 2018*.

**2 Commencement**

This instrument commences on the day after its notification day.

**3 Determination of Place Names**

I determine the place names as indicated in the schedule.

Ben Ponton  
Delegate of the Minister  
03 May 2018

**SCHEDULE**  
(See section 3)

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**Division of Coombs— Notable public service**

The location of the public places with the following names is indicated on the associated diagram.

<b>NAME</b>	<b>ORIGIN</b>	<b>SIGNIFICANCE</b>
<b>Calaby Street</b>	John Henry Calaby AO (1922–1998)	Biologist and naturalist; Canberra resident  John Calaby made a significant contribution to science in Australia, particularly in the fields of zoology and ecology and to Australian mammology. Calaby commenced his scientific career in 1945 as an Experimental Officer at the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (later the CSIRO) where he developed a particular interest in mammals and birds. He was a Research Scientist in the Wildlife Survey Section from 1950, and Assistant Chief Officer in the Wildlife and Ecology Division from 1985–87. Calaby was a specialist member of the Alligator Rivers Region environmental fact-finding study in the Northern Territory in the early 1970s, which assisted the formation and development of Kakadu National Park. His extensive survey and collection work has provided material for the ‘Australian National Wildlife Collection’. Calaby was a foundation member, Fellow and Honorary Life Member of the Australian Mammal Society and the recipient of awards from the scientific community, including the Troughton Medal in 1983. He published over 130 papers and articles and received an Honorary Doctorate from the Australian National University in 1977. A number of species are named for him including the Kakadu Pebble-Mound Mouse, <i>Pseudomys calabyi</i> . Calaby was appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia in 1994.

**Edwin Hicks  
Way**

Sir Edwin William  
(Ted) Hicks CBE  
(1910–1984)

Public servant; diplomat; community service;  
Canberra resident

Ted Hicks commenced his long career in the Commonwealth Public Service in 1928 as a temporary officer with the Federal Capital Commission. His service progressed to positions within the Public Service Board, the Bureau of Census and Statistics and the Department of Trade and Customs. He enlisted in the Royal Australian Air Force in 1942 and was promoted to flying officer in 1944. In 1948 he qualified as an accountant, studying at the Canberra University College. Hicks was appointed Secretary, Department of Air from 1951–56 and of the Department of Defence from 1956–68. It was as Secretary of Defence that he made his principal mark in higher administration and policy. He served as chairman of the Defence Committee, and member of the Morshead Committee, convened in 1957 to report to the Australian Government on future defence administration. Knighted in 1965, Sir Edwin was appointed the Australian High Commissioner to New Zealand in 1968 where he served with distinction for three years, retiring in 1971. He was active within the sporting, educational, social and cultural life of Canberra and served on the Interim Council of the Royal Military College from 1978–84.

**Ena Noel  
Street**

Phillipena (Ena)  
Noël OAM

(1910–2003)

Teacher-Librarian; advocate for children’s literature

Ena Noël advocated for quality literature and library services for children and young adults. She was a member of the Library Association of Australia (LLA) from 1957; the Children's Libraries Section (NSW) from 1959; foundation committee member of the School Libraries Section (NSW) and member, Children's Book Council of Australia (NSW). Noël was president of the Australian section of the International Board on Books for Young People (IBBY) for over twenty years being affectionately known in Australia as ‘Mrs IBBY’. She was a member of the international executive committee of the organisation from 1982–86. Noël was a respected critic of children's literature and contributed reviews and articles to international journals. She was awarded the ‘Lady Cutler Award’ in 1983 by the Children’s Book Council; the inaugural ‘Ellinor Archer Award’ from LLA in 1984 and the Medal of the Order of Australia in 1986. In 1994 she founded the ‘Ena Noël Award’ to encourage young emerging writers and illustrators.

<b>Gurd Street</b>	Dr Charles Henry Gurd CMG CBE (1920–1999)	Medical Practitioner; health administrator; local government  Charles Gurd made a notable contribution to health services and public administration in the Northern Territory and to local government in Darwin. He was Director of Medical Services and Inspector General, South Pacific Health Services in Fiji prior to his appointment as Medical Superintendent, Darwin Hospital in 1972. In this position he assessed the safety of hospital buildings should a cyclone occur and established procedures for handling mass casualties. Dr Gurd was appointed the Commonwealth Director of Health for the Northern Territory (NT) in 1974 and was the first Secretary of Health in the independent Territory administration, 1979–81. He played a major role in the management of health services at the time of Cyclone Tracy by implementing cyclone emergency procedures, organising large scale evacuation of the population to prevent disease outbreak and securing the services of many specialists and general practitioners. Dr Gurd was a Member of the NT Legislative Council in 1974; Alderman, Darwin City Council, 1981–92 and Deputy Lord Mayor, 1983–88. He was made a Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George in 1981.
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**Roy Corrigan**  
**Close**

Roy James  
Corrigan MBE  
(1924–2015)

Public service; Canberra resident

Roy Corrigan provided notable public service to the Australian Capital Territory through appointments in the Department of the Interior and later, the Department of Capital Territory, during a period of accelerated growth and development in the national capital. His long career commenced in 1941 and included positions as draftsman in the Survey Section, land administration and Secretary, Canberra National Memorials Committee. As the First Assistant Secretary, Lands Division during 1978–83, he was responsible for administering the Crown land leasehold system, including land sales; management of residential, agricultural, commercial and industrial land; forestry operations; urban redevelopment and land conservation. Corrigan was made a Member of the Order of the British Empire in 1976. He retired in 1983 after contributing 43 years to the development of Canberra. His memoirs, ‘A Fairly Humdrum Life’ (2017), include an account of his important contribution to the naming of public places in the ACT.

**Southcott  
View**

Heather Joyce  
Southcott AM  
(1928–2014)

Politics; social justice; pharmacist

Heather Southcott was a founding member of the Australian Democrats from 1977, and South Australian State Secretary from 1977–82. She became the first female member of the Australian Democrats to be elected to the South Australian Parliament when she won the seat of Mitcham in a by-election in May 1982, holding the seat until the general election six months later. Southcott was elected parliamentary leader of the South Australian Democrats in August 1982 and served nine terms as National President. An advocate for social justice and children's rights, Southcott was an active member of a range of organisations including Amnesty International, the Coalition for the Bill of Rights, the National Council of Women, the Women's Electoral Lobby, the United Nations Association of Australia and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. In 2007, she was honoured by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organisation for services to the community and for service as Chairperson of the United Nations Association of Australia. She was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in 1991.

Dr Ronald Vernon  
Southcott  
(1918–1998)

Physician; medical zoologist and naturalist

Dr Ronald Southcott's research into the medical effects of toxic fungi, poisonous plants and Australian insects was extensive. He was internationally renowned for his studies specialising in acari (mites) and contribution to scientific societies and organisations. His research included the description and naming of the box-jellyfish, a definitive study of Australian scorpions, the first observations in Australia of the introduced fiddleback spider and contribution on the medical effects of high liver consumption in Antarctic expeditioners. Southcott served for over thirty years as Honorary Consultant in toxinology to the Adelaide Children's Hospital and the Poisons Information Centre of South Australia. He was President and Executive Member, Royal Society of South Australia; President, Medical Sciences Club of South Australia; and Honorary Associate of the South Australian Museum and Chairman of the Museum Board from 1974–82. Dr Southcott published over 230 books and scientific papers.

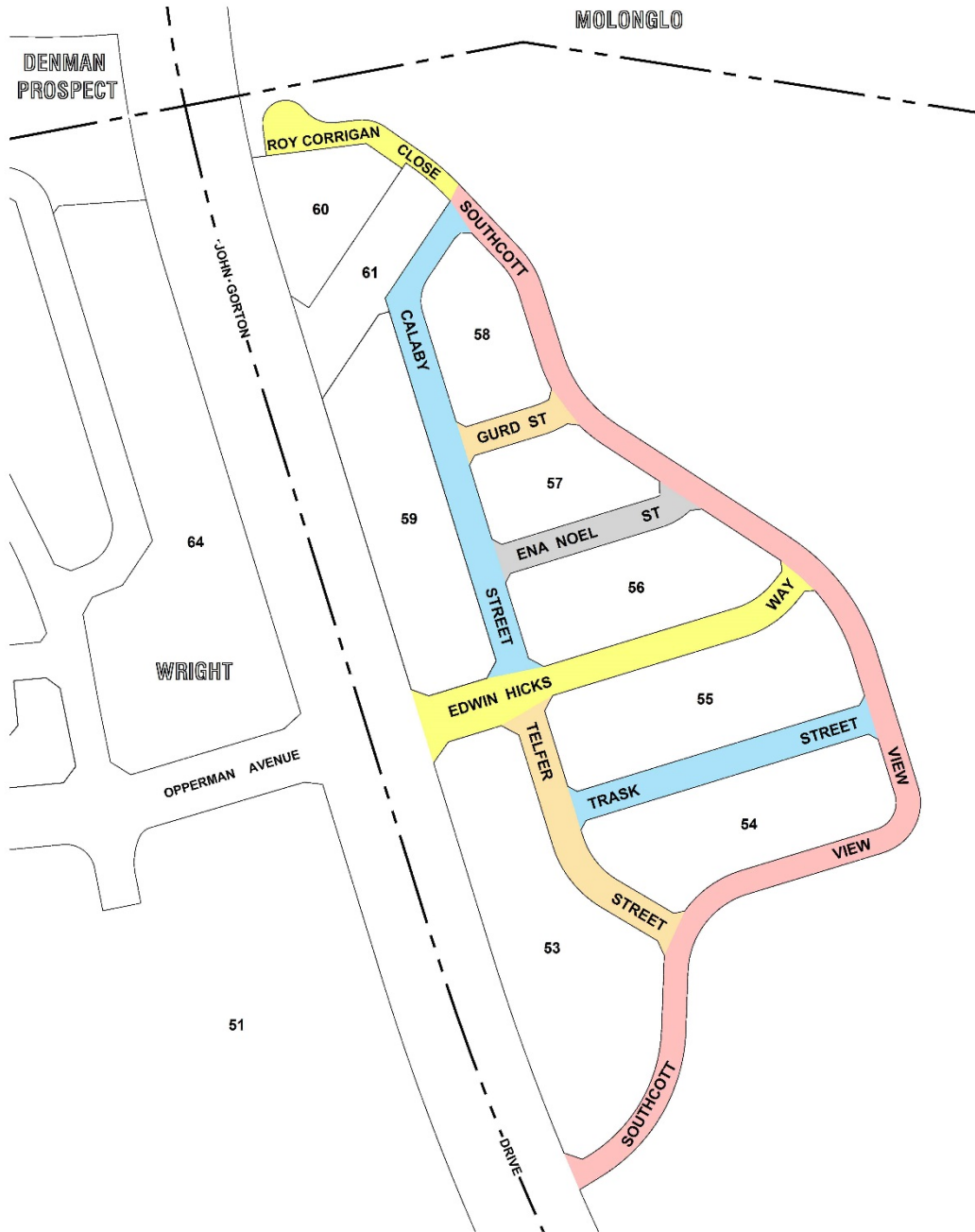
<b>Telfer Street</b>	Margaret Alison (Peg) Telfer OBE (1904–1974)	<p>University administrator; educationalist</p> <p>Margaret Telfer was Registrar of the University of Sydney from 1955–67, the first female Registrar of any university in Australia. She was active in university life serving the Sydney University Women's Union from 1926. In 1944, she became Deputy Assistant Registrar and in 1950, Deputy Registrar of the University. In the period after the Second World War she interviewed large numbers of ex-servicemen and women seeking War Service Matriculation. In 1953, she was appointed to the committee, chaired by Harold Wyndham, to survey secondary education in New South Wales. A travel grant in 1956 provided an opportunity for Telfer to study administration and student services in British and North American universities. She served as trustee and council member of the Public Library of New South Wales; member, New South Wales Board of Social Studies; president, Sydney University Women Graduates' Association and president, Australian Federation of University Women. She was a strong advocate for the interest and welfare of women graduates. In 1960, Telfer was appointed to the Order of the British Empire. In 1966, she was the first woman to be appointed to the New South Wales Parole Board. She received an Honorary Doctorate of Letters from the University of Sydney in 1969.</p>
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<b>Trask Street</b>	Margaret Trask AM (1928–2002)	<p>Librarian; library educator</p> <p>Margaret Trask contributed to the development of library and information services in Australia and was considered an outstanding leader in the profession. She advocated for improved public and school library services, positioned library services within the expansion of the university sector, established standards and resource-sharing initiatives and redefined librarianship education and training. Trask was a professional member of the Library Association of Australia from 1956. In 1966, as president of the Children's Libraries section of the association, she secured endorsement of a two-year plan aimed at the promotion of improvement of school libraries and school library services. She was responsible for a number of reports which influenced government policy and a member of government committees including the Secondary Schools Libraries Committee, 1968–73. She was awarded Fellowship of the Library Association of Australia in 1969. Trask was foundation head of the School of Library and Information Studies at Kuring-gai College of Advanced Education, later a campus of the University of Technology, Sydney (UTS). She was made a major contribution to the life of UTS as a Fellow of the University, Deputy Chancellor and Council Member. Trask was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia in 1979.</p>
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Schedule  
(see section 3)



**DIVISION OF COOMBS**  
Diagram