

Australian Capital Territory

Legal Aid (Commissioner – Financial Management) Appointment 2013

Disallowable Instrument DI2013–70

made under the

Legal Aid Act 1977, s 16(1)(c)(v) (Constitution of board)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The *Legal Aid Act 1977* (the Act), at section 6, provides for the establishment of the Legal Aid Commission. The commission must provide legal assistance in ACT matters in accordance with the Act.

Paragraph 16(1)(c)(v) of the Act provides that the commission must consist of 1 member who has expertise in financial management.

This instrument appoints Ms Gail Kinsella as a member of the commission with expertise in financial management, pursuant to section 16(1)(c)(v) of the Act for the period commencing on 20 May 2013 and ending on 19 May 2016.

Ms Kinsella has a background in public accounting practice, providing professional accounting, taxation and business advisory services to small to medium businesses.

Ms Kinsella is not a public servant. Under section 228 of the *Legislation Act 2001*, this appointment required consultation with the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety. The Committee advised that it had no recommendations to make.