

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER TO THE DENTAL TECHNICIANS AND DENTAL PROSTHETISTS BOARD OF THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

INSTRUMENT NO. 260 OF 1998

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

The *Dental Technicians and Dental Prosthetists Registration Act 1988* provides for the registration of dental technicians and dental prosthetists.

Section 5 of the Act establishes the Dental Technicians and Dental Prosthetists Board (the Board). Section 6 of the Act provides for the constitution of the Board comprising: the Chairperson and two members, each of whom is a registered dental prosthetist; 2 members, each of whom is a registered dental technician; and 1 member who is not entitled to be registered under this Act or by a health professions board (community representative).

The resignation from the Board of Stuart McCulloch (community representative) has created a vacancy for the remainder of his term of office which expires on 19 December 1999.

A notice seeking expressions of interest in the vacancy was placed in "The Canberra Times" on 1 and 5 April 1998. No expressions of interest were received.

At the Board's June meeting it was agreed that Board members should consider if they knew of anyone who may be interested in serving on the Board. Mr Lathbury was approached and his nomination was endorsed by the Board at the August meeting.

Mr Lathbury has served in the NSW and ACT Police Forces and in 1996 commenced employment with the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service (AQIS) Integrity Policy Section, he has lived in Canberra for over twenty years and is considered most suitable to fill the vacant position.

Appointment to the Board would be for the period up to and including 19 December 1999, commencing from the date of the Instrument of Appointment.

After consideration by Cabinet the appointments were referred to the Committee on Health and Community Care in accordance with the *Statutory Appointments Act 1994*.