



Law Commission welcomes new Commissioner

The Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice Lord Falconer, today announced the appointment of David Hertzell to the post of Law Commissioner.

Mr. Hertzell will take over from Professor Hugh Beale QC FBA. Professor Beale's tenure as a Law Commissioner ends on 30 June 2007.

Law Commission Chairman, Sir Terence Etherton said

"Professor Hugh Beale has given outstanding service since 2000 as the Law Commissioner for England and Wales leading on Commercial and Common Law projects. We extend thanks and warm wishes to him for the future. At the same time, we are delighted to welcome David Hertzell as a most worthy successor. We are particularly pleased to have the benefit of his experience as a practising solicitor with a long and distinguished career in insurance and other areas of commercial law, both advisory and litigious".

Mr. Hertzell's appointment lasts for 5 years from 1 July 2007.

Notes for Editors

1. The Law Commission is a non-political independent body, set up by Parliament in 1965 to keep all the law of England and Wales under review, and to recommend reform where it is needed.
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