

Cabinet, has been appointed as the Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security.

New Commonwealth Ombudsman

Mr Ron McLeod AM, formerly Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security, was appointed as the new Commonwealth and Defence Force Ombudsman on 19 February 1998.

Mr McLeod has extensive high-level knowledge of, and experience in, public administration. He holds the degree of Bachelor of Commerce from Melbourne University. He has served in a broad range of portfolios, including Deputy Secretary in the Department of Defence, is a member of the Advisory Council of the Australian Archives organisation and is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Management.

Former President of Council appointed to the Federal Court

On 27 August 1998, the Attorney-General announced the appointment of the Hon Justice Susan Kenny, a Judge of the Court of Appeal of Victoria, as a Judge of the Federal Court of Australia. Justice Kenny will take up her appointment on 16 October 1998.

Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission

On 8 March 1998 the Attorney-General announced the appointment of Professor Alice Tay AM as President of the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission and of Ms Susan Halliday as Sex Discrimination Commissioner.

Professor Tay took up her appointment on 1 April 1998. Professor Tay's experience in human rights extends over more than 20 years. She was formerly

Challis Professor of Jurisprudence with the University of Sydney Faculty of Law and Director of the University of Sydney Centre for Asian and Pacific Law. She is also a Member of the International Legal Services Advisory Council.

Ms Halliday took up her position on 28 April 1998. At the time of her appointment she was Assistant Director with the Business Council of Australia, Chair of the Board of the National Centre for Women Swinburne University of Technology, a Member of the Board of the Australian Student Traineeship Foundation, a Member of the Board of Australians against Child Abuse and a former Assistant Director of the Council for Equal Opportunity in Employment.

Ms Elizabeth Hastings' appointment as Disability Discrimination Commissioner was completed on 19 December 1997. The Human Rights Commissioner, Mr Chris Sidoti, was appointed acting Disability Discrimination Commissioner with effect from 18 December 1997, pending the creation of the new Human Rights and Responsibilities Commission.

Merit Protection and Review Agency

The Minister assisting the Prime Minister for the Public Service, Dr David Kemp, announced two part-time appointments to the Merit Protection and Review Agency on 6 July 1998. The Merit Protection and Review Agency is responsible for the external review of decisions and actions affecting Commonwealth public sector employees in relation to their employment.

Mr Mark Paterson and Professor Bob Officer have been appointed to positions

within the agency until 12 December 1998.

Mr Paterson is currently chief executive of the peak body, the Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry. Professor Officer is deputy director and AMP Professor of Finance at the Melbourne Business School which is part of the University of Melbourne.

The appointments of Mr Paterson and Professor Officer will complete the membership of the Merit Protection and Review agency.

Obituary—Bernard Schwartz

The Council noted with deep regret the death of Bernard Schwartz, University of Tulsa Chapman Distinguished Professor of Law and internationally recognised legal scholar, who died December 23 1997 at the age of 74. Professor Schwartz may be known to readers of *Admin Review* for his articles published on American administrative law and English administrative law from an American perspective.

Professor Schwartz was born in New York and graduated Phi Beta Kappa with a bachelor's degree from New York's City College and an LLB from New York University in 1944. At NYU Law School he received the highest grades of any student ever. He went on to earn an LLM from Harvard University in 1945 and joined the NYU faculty in 1947, the same year he earned

a doctorate from Cambridge University. In 1956 he was awarded an LLD from Cambridge University and in 1963 he received a doctorat d'universite from the University of Paris, as well as being appointed Edwin D. Webb Professor of Law by NYU. He held this post for nearly three decades.

At age 34 he served for six months as a consultant for the Hoover Commission and in 1957 he was chosen to be Special Counsel for a select congressional committee investigating regulatory agencies.

After he took emeritus status at NYU in 1992, Professor Schwartz was appointed the Chapman Distinguished Professor of Law at the University of Tulsa Law School, where he received the Outstanding Teacher Award in 1994.

The author of more than 65 books and hundreds of articles on topics ranging from Napoleonic civil code to American regulatory agencies, Professor Schwartz is perhaps most famous for his scholarship in the US Supreme Court. He wrote the five-volume commentary on the Constitution of the United States, a work that has become a staple in American legal scholarship, and often cited in Supreme Court decisions.

Professor Schwartz is survived by his wife of 47 years, Aileen Haas Schwartz, a retired New York Family Court judge, and their son, Brian.